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St. Mary's celebrates Day of the Kings

By ROB BURGESS  
The Daily Journal

The upside of El Dia de los Reyes is that the odds of receiving the gift children desire from the trio of magi handing out presents are 3 to 1 over Santa Claus just based upon sheer numbers.

The downside is that the threesome is best known for delivering gold, frankincense and myrrh-- the latter two of which most children would be hard-pressed to find a use for let alone identify.

Luckily, when the dust and the wrapping paper were cleared just before noon on Saturday in the Parish Hall of St. Mary's Catholic Church, everyone seemed more or less satisfied with their

bounty.

"I got a microwave," said Esmeralda Alvaraz, 9, as she smiled and held high a pink, toy version of the kitchen appliance still in its packaging.

Santiago Simental, director of Nuestra Casa, said this is the third year the organization has sponsored the event in Ukiah, which is a cornerstone of religious and familial life in many parts of the world.

"Actually this day is more important to Hispanic culture than the actual Christmas Day," he said.

In Spain, Mexico, Cuba, Puerto Rico and some other Latin American countries, the holiday sometimes known as

Epiphany Day is dubbed El Día de los Reyes, or The Day of the Kings, which celebrates the story of the three kings or magi who arrived to worship and bring gifts to the baby Jesus after following a star in the heavens.

Simental said in addition to the groups who donated toys for the celebration, the Mountanos Foundation also made possible through their contributions the distribution of five \$100 gift cards to needy families served by the organization.

"One family couldn't even be here because they couldn't afford the gas," he said. "I'm going to drive it to them later."

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From left, Wiseman Juan Miguel Rubio with 5-month-old Alex Shaw, Julian Ocegueda and Gaspar with Daniel Martinez played the three wiseman and gave away gifts to children at a Mexican Christmas celebration at St. Mary's School Saturday afternoon.

PLOWSHARES OPENS THE DOORS AT ITS NEW LOCATION



Sarah Baldik/The Daily Journal

Mary Buckley, Plowshares director, cuts the ribbon on the door of the new Plowshares building Sunday.

New building expands service

By ZACK SAMPSEL  
The Daily Journal

The flowers were planted, the parking lot was painted, and with a quick snip of her giant scissors, Plowshares Director Mary Buckley officially opened the doors to its new location Sunday.

Located at 1346 S. State St., the new Plowshares building won't officially be open for business until 5:30 p.m. Monday Jan. 14, but on Sunday afternoon the doors opened for a celebration and sneak preview of a project almost 10 years in the making.

Buckley reminisced Sunday about the work and planning that went into making the new building a reality. According to Buckley, ideas about a new location for Plowshares had surfaced almost 10 years ago, but it took a while to get the ball rolling. The project got serious in 2003 when Plowshares purchased the land along South State Street across from the airport. In the four years following Buckley said she has found a great respect for community support.

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The stoves, ovens and range inside the new Plowshares building stand ready for use during the grand opening. The kitchen will be used to help feed more than 100 people in the community daily .

Budget gaps  
could affect  
state lottery

By STEVE GEISSINGER  
Medianews Sacramento Bureau

SACRAMENTO -- The California lottery disclosed Saturday night it was using emergency backup electricity generators indefinitely to run on-line gambling and other games statewide -- an unprecedented hardship atop its potential sacrifice as a state asset to fill the state budget gap.

Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger's aides revealed Saturday he has renewed interest in leasing the lottery to a private contractor for a multibillion-dollar upfront sum as a major step in filling the state's current \$14 billion budget gap. Sales lag behind per-capita performances of many other state lotteries.

In addressing the electricity outage, Lottery Director Joan

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Local group  
improving coastal  
homeless services

By TONY REED  
Fort Bragg Advocate-News

A lot of behind-the-scenes work has been taking place to improve local homeless services on the coast. A local group has been busy contacting city and county officials and others over the last month, resulting in a lot of email correspondence through the holidays. All emails have been forwarded to the newspaper.

Kathleen Stone, homeless services and housing coordinator for Mendocino County Health and Human Services Agency, has also been sending a great deal of information, notes and updates out to local service organizations.

Susan Holli and Roy Falk, of the faith-based group Love in Action, have been active in trying to improve and create restroom facilities in Fort Bragg. At a county-organized meeting Dec. 6 in Fort Bragg, Love in Action members talked with City Planner Sean O'Rourke and Stone about the possibility of placing portable restrooms at various locations in the city to prevent people from defecating on church and other private properties. At the meeting, Falk gave O'Rourke a \$100 check to kick off a fund drive for the

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JOHN EVERETT ALEXANDER

Age 61, of Middletown for 13 years and formerly of Ukiah, Calif., died Thursday, December 20, 2007. Born in Ukiah, Calif. on September 11, 1946 to Marion and Evelyn (nee Baily) Alexander, he served in the U.S. Navy during Vietnam and worked as a millwright. Survivors include his wife Ginger (nee Orr) Alexander, and one son, Adrian Alexander, both of Middletown; three brothers, Roy, Dennis and George Alexander, and good friend Bob Reiner. Visitation was on Friday, December 28, 1-3:00 P.M., with a memorial service immediately following, all at the Vale-Hoskins Funeral Home, Morrow. Memorial donations requested to Veteran's Services, Dayton. Arrangements to Vale-Hoskins Funeral Home, Morrow and online condolences available at [www.hoskinsfh.com](http://www.hoskinsfh.com).

POLICE REPORTS

The following were compiled from reports prepared by the Ukiah Police Department. To anonymously report crime information, call 463-6205.

**ARREST** -- John Doe, name, age and hometown unknown, was arrested on suspicion of driving under the influence in the 1000 block of South Dora Street at 1:41 a.m. Saturday.

Those arrested by law enforcement officers are innocent until proven guilty. People reported as having been arrested may contact the Daily Journal once their case has been concluded so the results can be reported. Those who feel the information is in error should contact the appropriate agency. In the case of those arrested on suspicion of driving under the influence of an intoxicant: all DUI cases reported by law enforcement agencies are reported by the newspaper. The Daily Journal makes no exceptions.

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The Ukiah Daily Journal reserves this space to correct errors or make clarifications to news articles. Significant errors in obituary notices or birth announcements will result in reprinting the entire article. Errors may be reported to the editor, 468-3526.

LOTTERY NUMBERS

**DAILY 3:**  
MIDDAY: 2,3,5

**EVENING:** 6,6,2

**FANTASY 5:**  
12, 18, 22, 27, 35

**DAILY DERBY:**  
1st: 07 Eureka  
2nd: 02 Lucky Star  
3rd: 08 Gorgeous George  
Race Time: 1.46.17

The world briefly

Water freezes, doesn't drain in flooded Nevada town

FERNLEY, Nev. (AP) — Hundreds of homes sat in as much as 8 feet of water Sunday following a canal rupture as freezing weather spread sheets of ice over yards and streets, hindering efforts to get the water to drain away.

As many as 400 homes were damaged when the canal's bank gave way following heavy rainfall produced by the West Coast storm system that had piled snow as much as 11 feet deep in the Sierra Nevada.

Thousands of customers had been blacked out in three states and many of them in California could remain in the dark for days because the storm ripped down nearly 500 miles of power lines, utility officials said Sunday.

Six snowmobilers and two skiers were reported missing in heavy snow in the mountains of southern Colorado, and one hiker was missing in snow-covered mountains in Southern California.

At least three deaths were blamed on the storm.

Clinton, Obama clash in most personal terms in homestretch of chilly New Hampshire primary

MANCHESTER, N.H. (AP) — Barack Obama and Hillary Rodham Clinton clashed Sunday in the slushy New Hampshire homestretch, deriding each others' claims to be the true candidate of change. Clinton told Democratic voters they should elect "a doer, not a talker." Obama countered that his critics are stuck in the politics of the past.

At a raucous rally in a high school gymnasium in Nashua, Clinton skewered Obama for several votes he has cast in the Senate, such as his vote in favor of the Patriot Act and for energy legislation she described as "Dick Cheney's energy bill." She never mentioned Obama's name but left no doubt about whom she was discussing.

"You campaign in poetry, you govern in prose," Clinton said.

Obama, speaking at a packed Manchester theater, took issue with Clinton's criticism of him during Saturday's Democratic presidential debate.

"One of my opponents said we can't just, you know, offer the American people false hopes about what we can get done," he said.

McCain pushes for vital NH win; GOP rival Romney tries to stave off second big loss

SALEM, N.H. (AP) — An emboldened John McCain declared "I will win," and Republican rival Mitt Romney scrambled to prevent a second big race to slip away in the frenzied final hours before the New Hampshire primary.

Said Romney on Sunday: "I'm planning on winning in New Hampshire." But he added, "It may not happen," reflecting new polls.

Mike Huckabee, who took first place in the Iowa caucuses but trails in the nation's first primary, downplayed his own prospects but said: "We're going to do better than expected."

Wide open and intense, the race for the Republican nomination has gotten ever tighter. A pair of fresh polls showed McCain, the Arizona senator, slightly ahead of Romney, a former Massachusetts governor, two days before New Hampshire votes. New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani, staking his hopes on later states, is trying to hold off Huckabee for third.

US-born al-Qaida spokesman asks fighters to greet Bush with bombs when he visits Mideast

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — Al-Qaida's American spokesman urged fighters to meet President Bush with bombs when he visits the Middle East, according to a new video posted on the Internet Sunday.

U.S.-born Adam Gadahn also tore up his American passport as part of a symbolic protest in the nearly hour-long rhetoric-dominated tape — al-Qaida's first message of the new year.

The release comes just three days before Bush is scheduled to arrive in Israel for a weeklong trip that will also bring him to the West Bank, Kuwait, Bahrain, the United Arab Emirates, Saudi Arabia and Egypt as part of his push for an Israeli-Palestinian peace agreement.

"Now we direct an urgent call to our militant brothers in Muslim Palestine and the Arab peninsu-

la ... to be ready to receive the Crusader slayer Bush in his visit to Muslim Palestine and the Arab peninsula in the beginning of January and to receive him not with flowers or clapping but with bombs and booby-trapped vehicles," Gadahn, 29, said in Arabic.

"This just shows once again, al-Qaida offers nothing but violence and death," National Security Council spokesman Gordon Johndroe said. "The purpose of President Bush's trip is to meet with mainstream Arab leaders and people to talk about a positive future for the region, based on hope and opportunity."

Suicide bomber targeting an Iraqi Army Day celebration in Baghdad kills 11, wounds 17

BAGHDAD (AP) — Three Iraqi soldiers threw themselves on a suicide attacker wearing an explosives vest at an Army Day celebration Sunday — an act of heroism the U.S. said likely prevented many more deaths. Iraqi police said at least 11 people were killed in the blast, the deadliest in a series of bombings in Baghdad.

One of the attacks in the capital killed an American soldier — one of two U.S. deaths announced on Sunday.

Shortly before the bomber struck the Army Day festivities, about two dozen Iraqi soldiers were standing outside the offices of a local non-governmental agency pushing for unity in Iraq. The troops, their AK-47 rifles raised in the air, chanted pro-army slogans and a common anti-insurgent taunt: "Where are the terrorists today?"

Associated Press photographer Hadi Mizban was about five yards away from the suicide attacker when he blew himself up on a narrow street in the central Karradah area.

"The blast happened as civilians were giving flowers to soldiers and sticking them in the muzzles of their guns," recalled Mizban, an Iraqi national. "It was a jubilant scene."

Old obstacles to peace — Israeli settlements, violence — cast shadow on Bush Mideast visit

JERUSALEM (AP) — President Bush heads to Israel and the West Bank this week, hoping his first visit as U.S. leader will open the throttle on Israeli-Palestinian peacemaking.

But in the six weeks since Bush declared at an international gathering in Annapolis, Md., that "the time is right" to make peace, two perennial obstacles to Mideast peacemaking have already reared up: Israeli settlements and violence.

Even before formal talks began on Dec. 12, Israel announced plans to build homes in areas claimed by the Palestinians. Two Israeli hikers were killed later by Palestinian gunmen in the West Bank, and Israeli attacks have killed dozens of militants in the Gaza Strip in response to ongoing rocket fire. Israeli troops also kept the West Bank militant hotbed of Nablus under siege for several days.

Bush's three-day visit, which begins Wednesday, is part of his stepped-up effort to forge an Israeli-Palestinian peace agreement before he leaves office in January 2009.

"When an American president comes and tries to encourage the sides to overcome the obstacles and try to solve them ... that always helps the Palestinians and helps us move forward with the process," Israeli Vice Premier Haim Ramon said recently.

Passengers in Alaska plane crash that killed 6 were flying home to celebrate Russian Christmas

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP) — A chartered plane that crashed into a shallow harbor after taking off from Kodiak Island, killing six people, was carrying a group of fishermen from a dissident sect of the Russian Orthodox Church home for Christmas.

Four people survived the crash Saturday, and one of them told investigators Sunday that the door to a baggage compartment in the nose of the small plane had popped open.

"We want to look at the aerodynamic qualities of opening a very large door in flight," said Clint Johnson, an investigator with the National Transportation Safety Board. "This does not signal an end of our investigation of the crash by any means, but it

at least played a part in it."

The Piper PA-31 Navajo Chieftain crashed about 50 yards off the end of a runway after taking off Saturday afternoon, according to the Federal Aviation Administration and the NTSB.

The passengers were members of Alaska's community of Russian Orthodox Old Believers who had been fishing in Kodiak and were taking a short flight north to Homer to celebrate Eastern Orthodox Christmas at home on Monday.

With writers still on strike, Jay Leno and Jimmy Kimmel will appear on each other's show

NEW YORK (AP) — For one night, Jay Leno and Jimmy Kimmel will solve the problem of booking guests during the writers' strike by appearing on each other's show.

The swap comes Thursday, with Kimmel traveling to Leno's studio in Burbank, Calif., and Leno returning the favor in Hollywood. Both shows are taped on the same day they air.

"There are only a few people in the world that know how tough this job is," Leno said Sunday. "Jimmy is one of them. It will be fun to discuss who's a good guest, who's a difficult guest and everything else that comes with sitting behind these desks."

Joked Kimmel: "If Jay and I can come together and guest on each other's shows, then surely there is hope for peace in the Middle East."

ABC's Kimmel came to Leno's defense on the air Wednesday, urging picketing writers to back off the "Tonight Show" host.

China's crackdown on shoddy and unsafe products makes some progress, but will it last?

BEIJING (AP) — Last August, the Chinese government unleashed its most extensive campaign since the 2002-03 outbreak of SARS, the mysterious killer disease. The goal: to shore up China's battered reputation as a manufacturer of quality goods.

As the four-month initiative — part crackdown, part public relations drive — ended in December, experts say China has taken significant steps toward addressing product quality and safety problems. But they also note the risk of backsliding in a country with a convoluted bureaucracy and a well-documented history of local leaders ignoring edicts from the top.

"The events of the past six or so months do represent a watershed," said Robert Kapp, a business consultant who headed the U.S. China Business Council from 1994 to 2004. "But watersheds are not always forever."

"The problem may be very systematic by now, and I don't know if the Chinese will overcome it," he added.

While the high-profile campaign is over, the government is continuing work on several fronts, including developing China's first-ever food safety law.

Eli Manning tosses 2 TDs in 1st playoff win as Giants beat Bucs 24-14 to move to 8-1 on road

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — The New York Giants' rousing road show powered through Tampa Bay. Now it heads to the only place where it flopped: Dallas. The Giants moved to 8-1 away from home with a dominating 24-14 NFC-wild-card playoff victory over Tampa Bay on Sunday.

New York has won every road game since falling in its season opener against the Cowboys, and it gets a chance to diminish that blemish in a much bigger matchup next Sunday, with the winner going to the conference title game.

"We love playing there, we love going down to Dallas," Eli Manning said. "There are no secrets."

As for concerns the Giants (11-6) left too much of themselves on the field in futilely trying to stop New England's perfect season on Dec. 29, well, forget it. After a lackluster first quarter, New York bullied the NFC South champions, who lost three of their last four regular-season games, including the final two when coach Jon Gruden rested many starters.

"We weren't sluggish, but it was not like we were the week before," said receiver Amani Toomer, who had a big game. "We needed one play to get us going and for me to be the guy, I was excited."

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

MONTHLY MEETINGS

**Ukiah Mac Users Group:** Meets second Monday of each month at 7 p.m. alternating meetings in Ukiah and Willits. In Willits meet at the Willits Public Library, and in Ukiah at North Haven School, 225 S. Hope St. between Church and W. Stevenson in Room 5. Sell or trade items; share OSX and OS9 problems along with solutions; hear new Mac news and more.

**Ukiah Valley Alliance for Democracy:** Meets second Monday: 5:15 p.m. for open discussion over brown-bag dinner (optional) followed by formal agenda at 6:30 p.m.; Mendo Education Action Cooperative ("the MEAC"), 106 W. Standley St. (between State and School streets), Ukiah. For more information, call 472-0724.

**Modified Motorcycle Association of California:** 7:30 p.m., Second Monday; Wright Stuff Pizza; 720 N. State St; call Jerry Meyer, 462-2810 or Clell McFarland, 485-9243.

**Look Good. . . Feel Better:** A program for women undergoing appearance related side effects of cancer treatment; second Monday of each month at 10 a.m.; call to register, 462-7642.

**Caregiver Support Group:** Second and fourth Mondays; 10 a.m. to noon, at 301 N. State St.; call 1 (800) 834-1636.

**Mendocino Rose Society:** Second Tuesday, public is welcome to attend; Ukiah Civic Center Conference Room; 411 Clay St., Ukiah; call Jessica at 743-1902.

**Friends of the Library:** Second Wednesday; 6 p.m.; in Ukiah Library.

**Ukiah Elks Lodge:** Regular meeting second and fourth Wednesday of every month; dinner at 6 p.m. (reservations required); meeting at 7 p.m.; 1200 Hastings Road, Ukiah; for information call 462-1728.

**Ukiah Garden Club:** Day meeting for members only; second Wednesday; time varies, early afternoon; Ukiah Garden Clubhouse; 1203 Clay St., in Ukiah.

**Ukiah Rod and Gun Club:** Meets second Wednesday, from 7 to 9 p.m., at the Jensens Truck Stop, Hwy. 101 and North State Street in Ukiah. Meetings are free. Membership is \$20 per year. Club events raise money for wildlife enhancement programs.

**Community Coalition for Gang Prevention:** Meets second Thursday; 6 p.m.; For location, call Sue Hawley at 744-7585 or Carole Hester at 468-8197.

**Open Poetry Reading:** 7 p.m.; Meets second Thursday; Hava Java; 25 W. Mendocino, Willits.

**Veterans of Foreign Wars:** Second Thursday; 7 p.m.; Veterans Memorial building; Oak and Seminary Ave.

**Redwood Empire Woodturners:** Meets second Thursday at members' homes; Pete Wagner, 463-1386.

**Redwood Valley Grange:** Second Friday; at 6:30 p.m.; at 8650 East Road, Redwood Valley; potluck followed by the business meeting and program.

**Ukiah Contra Dance:** meets second Saturday; new dancers always welcome; beginner instruction starts at 7:30 p.m.; dance begins at 8 p.m.; cost is \$7 for adults and \$3 for children; call 463-2113 for location.

**Saturday Afternoon Club:** Second Saturday until May, from 1:30 to 3 p.m.; at 107 S. Oak St.

**VFW Pancake Breakfast:** Held the second Saturday of each month from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m., with indoor flea market from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., both at the Veterans Memorial building. For more information, call 462-7622.

**Redwood Valley Grange:** Meets for breakfast from 8:30 to 11 a.m., second Sunday, September through April, at the Redwood Valley Grange hall, north of the Redwood Valley Fire Department; 485-7015 or 485-0887.

**Ukiah Elks Lodge Breakfast:** Meets second Sunday each month. All you can eat breakfast from 8:30 a.m. to noon, 1200 Hastings Road; proceeds benefit Ukiah area youth functions; \$6, adults, \$3 children under 12.

WEEKLY MEETINGS

**Adults Molested as Children:** Meets at 1 to 2:30 p.m. every Thursday; call Judy or Linda for location and additional information at 462-9196.

**Alanon:** Meets Mondays at 5:30 p.m., Tuesdays noon, Fridays noon, and Saturdays at 10:30 a.m.; Calvary Baptist Church, 465 Luce Ave.; for more information call 463-1867 or 621-2721.

**Alateen:** Meets Thursdays 8 to 9 p.m.; Calvary Baptist Church, 465 Luce Ave., enter at east side back door; for more information call 468-9290.

**Bingo:** Non smoking, non-profit, Bingo will be held Tuesday nights at 6 p.m. and Thursday afternoons at 1 p.m., at the Ukiah Senior Center.

**Card and Boardgame Club:** Meets at 8:30 a.m., on Tuesdays in Bartlett Hall in Room 11 and 12 and at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesdays and Fridays, at Carter Hall at the Ukiah Senior Center; for information call Joyce, 468-8943.

**Celebrate Recovery:** Christ-centered 12-step recovery; Fridays at Trinity Baptist Church Hall, South Dora Street and Luce Ave, 6 p.m. fellowship dinner; 7 p.m. teaching/testimony; 8 p.m. men and women's small group sharing; 9 p.m. dessert/solid rock cafe. Babysitting provided. For more information call 462-6535.

**Duplicate Bridge:** Meets at 7 p.m., every Monday, and at 1 p.m., every Wednesday, in the community room at Washington Mutual Bank, corner of Gobbi and State streets. Newcomers are welcome. For more information call 468-8476.

**Financial Management Workshop:** Noon to 1 p.m. Wednesdays; Salvation Army Office, 714A S. State St, Ukiah; 468-9577.

**GURDJIEFF Reading and Discussion Group:** Meets 7 p.m. on Fridays. For more information, call 391-6780 or 485-7293.

**Kiwanis Club:** Meets at noon, Tuesday, at The Ukiah Garden Cafe 1090 S. State St.; for more information call Janet Carlson at 467-2288.

**Lions Club:** Meets at noon on Thursdays, at Ukiah Garden Cafe. Redwood Empire Lions Club meets at 6:45 a.m., every first and third Tuesday, at Zack's Restaurant.

**Overeaters Anonymous:** In Ukiah -- Mondays at 5:30 p.m.; Saturdays at 11 a.m.; 270 N. Pine St.; 472-4747. Meets in Willits on Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. at Willits United Methodist Church, School and Pine Streets, upstairs; No dues or weigh-ins, everyone is welcome; 459-4594.

**Peace and Justice Gathering:** Meets Sundays rain or shine at 10 a.m. at Alex Thomas Plaza in Ukiah to drum, dance and sing for peace and justice; all ages are invited to bring drums and any other instruments; 462-2320.

**Rotary Club of Ukiah:** Meets for lunch at 12:10 p.m., on Tuesdays, at Elks Lodge, 1200 Hastings Road. 467-3674; www.ukiahrotary.org.

**Senior Writing Class:** Meets from 2 to 3:30 p.m. on Tuesdays, in Room 10-11 in the Admin. Bldg. of the Ukiah Senior Center. Record memories for children and grandchildren. Free and open; for information call Kathie Jones, 468-

Red Cross provides safety tips and help for winter storms

The Daily Journal

With a powerful series of storms raging in the North Bay, Red Cross volunteers are already helping a number of people with storm-related emergencies, and additional volunteers are standing by in case they are needed. Before more emergencies take place, the organization wants community members to know how to stay safe now and throughout the winter, and to understand how and in what situations residents can receive assistance from our local Red Cross.

Basic suggestions for storm safety are below. For more information, contact the American Red Cross web sites, www.arcsm.org and www.redcross.org, as well as other resources listed at the end of this press release.

Storm safety

- Prepare a winter storm plan: Have extra blankets on hand, and ensure that each member of the household has a warm coat, gloves or mittens, hat, and water-resistant boots. Keep your car's gas tank filled, keep cash on hand, and stay off the roads unless necessary.
- Assemble disaster supplies kits for home and car: Include first aid kit, essential medications, battery-powered NOAA (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration) weather radio, flashlights, batteries, food for people and pets, water (at least one gallon of water per person per day to last at least 3 days, plus water for pets).
- Stay tuned for storm warnings: Listen to NOAA weather radio, local radio and t.v. for updated storm information.
- Practice Fire safety: Never leave fires unattended in the home. Take special care with space heaters and candles, which are responsible for many fires each year. Do not use portable generators or gas appliances such as ovens to heat the home. They can lead to deadly carbon monoxide



buildup. Have fire extinguishers in your home that are in good working order.

How the Red Cross helps during winter storms

- Power outages: Cities and counties take the lead, and American Red Cross follows, in responding to winter emergencies such as power outages due to storms. "If a significant number of people are facing an emergency, we will receive a request from one or more cities or the county to provide Red Cross services in a shelter," explained Rodger Doncaster, Director of Disaster Services. "We have not received any such request in response to the current power outages."

When the power goes out, the Red Cross does not generally provide assistance, unless there is an actual emergency. For example, those who have medical conditions that require electricity, such as people with lung disease that require use of oxygen machines, should contact the Red Cross at 463-0112 (Mendocino County). Red Cross volunteers may ask a

doctor to verify the medical need.

- Wind-related damage to homes: During storms, there may be trees landing on houses, causing serious damage. When this happens, if the Red Cross receives a request for assistance, they send out a Disaster Action Team to determine what assistance the client might need. If a tree falls and simply knocks out power without damaging the home, the Red Cross is not able to provide assistance, nor are they able to assist people simply for the loss of refrigerated or frozen food.

- Road closures: Winter storms often lead to road closures. If the county or state asks the Red Cross to open a shelter to assist stranded travelers, then they do so. The Red Cross is not able to provide individual assistance in the case of road closures.
- Flooding: Our local Red Cross has opened shelters in the past when many people are evacuated during serious flooding. Again, the Red Cross will open shelters at the request of the county or state.

If an individual or small numbers of people are evacuated, they can contact the Red Cross for assistance (see numbers below).

For those who want to help: volunteer and donate funds

The local Red Cross always needs local volunteers. Training to become a Red Cross volunteer is free. Interested individuals should contact Maggie O'Brien, Director of Volunteer and Youth Services, to learn more: mobrien@arcsm.org or 577-7604.

The Red Cross also welcomes financial assistance. Red Cross disaster services are always free, thanks to voluntary donations of time and money by the people of Sonoma and Mendocino Counties. The local chapter is self-sustaining and receives no funding from the national organization. Donations can be made in several ways:

- online, www.arcsm.org
- by phone, 707-577-7600 or 707-463-0112
- at the American Red Cross, Sonoma & Mendocino Counties headquarters, 5297 Aero Drive, Santa Rosa (off Airport Blvd., Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.)
- by mail, American Red Cross, Sonoma & Mendocino Counties headquarters, 5297 Aero Drive, Santa Rosa, 95403.

Pet of the Week



Photo by MacLeod Pappidas/The Daily Journal

If you are looking for an indoor cat, Star is for you. Why? Because she came to the shelter declawed. And while the shelter does not condone declawing, she still needs a special home. And the outdoors for declawed cats is a scary place. This eight-year-old orange long-haired tabby is spayed, ready for a home. To adopt a pet, visit the Mendocino County Animal Shelter on Plant Road. The hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, and on Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. On Saturday, the hours are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and the shelter is closed Sundays. View other available animals at www.petfinder.com. For more information, call Sage at 467-6453.



Letters from our readers

Pot growing should be limited

**To the Editor:**  
I've appreciated the Daily Journal's recent editorials regarding the production and distribution of marijuana in the county. Marijuana in Mendocino County - except for the largest grows - has attained quasi-legal status under the guise of medical marijuana. What began as a compassionate effort to provide comfort to patients who could legitimately benefit from marijuana, has become a safe haven for pot profiteers. The county provides the best of all worlds for those who grow and distribute: low risk and high remuneration (without the burden of taxes). It's no wonder that so many local kids' career paths fail to lead beyond the neighborhood grow-house or pot garden.

We need policies that will balance the authentic health needs of patients with constraints on those who would exploit the current situation. Mendocino County simply cannot afford the consequences of increased crime, environmental degradation, stunted careers, drug abuse and a cynical not-so-underground industry that undermines an array of healthy community norms.

Many refer to marijuana as "weed." But the marijuana grown in our county (given its high tech cultivation and oversized THC content) is much more akin to a powerful designer drug-- one with real consequences for developing brains and bodies.

The Ukiah City Council and Board of Supervisors have recently taken steps to impose reasonable limits and controls on marijuana cultivation. More dialogue and mitigations are needed if we are to retain a way of life that is rapidly being eroded.

Armand Brint  
Ukiah

Bring back the dog park

**To the Editor:**  
How surprising to find the most popular location in the county suddenly closed down without notice. I am referring to the dog park in Redwood Valley.

I understand some of the concerns brought forth by Scott Ward in his letter, however in the times I was there usually the only barking was from his dogs and so I understand that his neighbors might have been upset.

A friend and I attended to all the gaps in the fencing so dogs could not get out. As with all new areas there were a few glitches, but it seemed to be the happiest place around and the first and ONLY dog park in the area. Most importantly though, dog parks are also for people. They are social gathering places. I certainly noticed no more noise than at baseball games or any other social event. And the mingling with other dogs under such a supervised arena was fostering better dogs, something we all want in our communities.

Dogs that are kenneled, chained, kept behind fences without a lot of exercise or training are frustrated unhappy dogs. They are the dogs that cause problems. I know after even 30 minutes at the dog park, running all out, chasing balls, playing tag with each other, my dogs went home, ate their dinner and settled down for the night. Please bring back our dog park. Involve the neighbors, but do not close it down because of one person. At least 50 people and twice as many dogs have no other place to go.

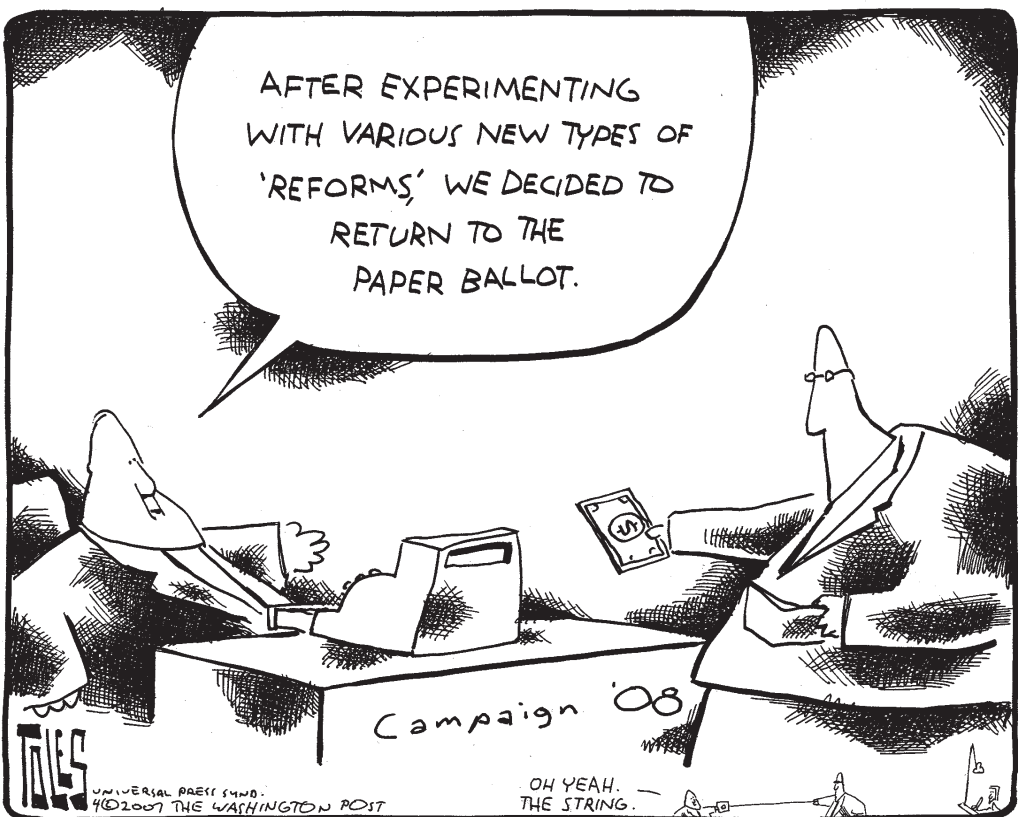
Eliza Wingate  
Upper Lake

THANK YOU LETTER POLICY

Editor's note: The Daily Journal welcomes letters of thanks from organizations and individuals. However, thank you letters must be kept short. For that reason we have a 20-business name limit per letter. Shorter thank you letters which do not contain lists of participants or donors will be printed more quickly. Those wishing to thank long lists of people and businesses are welcome to contact our advertising department for help with a thank you ad.

LETTER POLICY

The Daily Journal welcomes letters to the editor. All letters must include a clear name, signature, return address and phone number. Letters chosen for publication are generally published in the order they are received, but shorter, concise letters are given preference. We publish most of the letters we receive, but we cannot guarantee publication. Names will not be withheld for any reason. If we are aware that you are connected to a local organization or are an elected official writing about the organization or body on which you serve, that will be included in your signature. If you want to make it clear you are not speaking for that organization, you should do so in your letter. All letters are subject to editing without notice. Editing is generally limited to removing statements that are potentially libelous or are not suitable for a family newspaper. Form letters that are clearly part of a write-in campaign will not be published. You may drop letters off at our office at 590 S. School St., or fax letters to 468-3544, mail to Letters to the Editor, P.O. Box 749, Ukiah, 95482 or e-mail them to [udj@pacific.net](mailto:udj@pacific.net). E-mail letters should also include hometown and a phone number.



Other opinions

From around the nation

Riverside Press-Enterprise  
State priorities

The much-hyped "post-partisanship" in California government in 2007 turned out to look much like the Legislature's traditional partisan dysfunction. The governor and Legislature did pass an unwieldy health care reform, but familiar political antagonisms stymied progress on crucial state issues.

California cannot afford continued stalemate. Here are five issues that deserve legislative attention in 2008:

—The budget. California faces a \$14 billion budget shortfall next fiscal year, and legislators can no longer postpone the task of matching spending to revenue. That job would have been far easier when revenues were surging. But instead the Legislature spent the windfalls, leaving the state struggling to handle an economic downturn.

The accounting gimmicks, one-time fixes, unrealistic assumptions and other budget dodges need to end, in favor of putting the state's finances on a sustainable course. Crafting an honest budget will require tough choices about spending and taxes — and a willingness to put the state's welfare ahead of partisan agendas.

—Prison reform. Even the threat of federal judges releasing thousands of inmates could not spur the Legislature to fix the state's ailing prison system in 2007. The \$7.7 billion prison construction package legislators approved in April failed to address the underlying reasons for prison crowding.

Legislators should start by revising the state's convoluted sentencing laws to provide incentives for inmates to complete rehabilitation programs. And the state needs a parole system that helps ex-convicts suc-

ceed, instead of repeatedly returning people to prison.

—Water supply. The Legislature should promptly address the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta, which provides water to two-thirds of the state's population. A court ruling last year slashed water exports from the delta to protect an endangered fish, and stopping the delta's decline will be expensive and complex.

But California also needs a coherent water policy that can provide for a growing population and a changing climate. Long-term forecasts project less of the Sierra snow pack the state now relies on to store water. California will need to capture more storm runoff, increase storage and boost conservation. Legislators have to move past the partisan stalemate over dams that stalled progress last year.

—Retiree health costs. California needs to address the \$48 billion in unfunded health-care benefits promised to retired state employees. New government accounting rules now require public agencies to tally the long-term cost of such benefits, instead of just paying the current year's expenses.

The Public Employees Post-Employment Benefits Commission is scheduled to report this month on bridging the funding gap. The solutions will likely include setting aside money now for future costs. And the state will have to look at trimming benefit expenses, by boosting workers' contributions or limiting eligibility.

—Redistricting reform. Letting the Legislature draw political districts serves politicians, not voters. Legislators focus on self-protection and partisan gain, at the expense of representative democracy. Taking reapportionment out of the politicians' hands and giving it to an independent body would result in more competitive districts and a

Legislature less prone to partisan extremes.

The Legislature reneged on a promise last year to change the redistricting process. But legislators should put political self-service aside and create a reapportionment reform that puts voters' interests first.

Ventura County Star  
Hello debt hangover

Americans' credit-card defaults were already up by double-digit percentages before Christmas. Now, that the Christmas shopping is over, the rate of defaults and delinquencies is expected to rise, fueled by the subprime mortgage problems.

According to The Associated Press, Americans are in the hole about \$900 billion with their credit cards, an average of \$2,200 per household.

Even in a strong economy, credit counselors are familiar with the debt hangover that strikes many of Santa's elves when January's bills arrive.

Although overspending is an individual problem, greedy credit-card industry practices are not and Congress is looking into curbing industry abuses that often push consumers deeper into debt. Some issuers, for example, raise interest rates on customers whose credit rating score goes down, even if those customers pay their credit-card bills on time.

The Federal Reserve is also concerned and has plans to require credit-card issuers to give customers notice of at least 45 days before they raise interest rates.

It is up to individuals to cut up their credit cards and start paying off their debts, but greedy credit-card issuers shouldn't be allowed to make that job harder by preying on consumers.

California focus



TOM ELIAS

Shortsighted GOP will drive vote

Want a clue to how the November elections will turn out, at least in California?

The best thing to do is check out the vote totals for each political party in next month's presidential primary.

For it is a well-established pattern of political behavior that voters who cast ballots in the primary election of either major political party will almost always vote for that party's nominee in the fall runoff election that follows.

That's one reason the welcoming policy of California's state Democratic Party will likely assure that this state stays in the Democratic column in the fall.

For while Democrats will allow anyone now registered as an independent, decline-to-state-party-affiliation voter to cast a ballot in their presidential primary, Republicans will not. Their frequently expressed philosophy of primary voting is that only Republicans should have a voice in choosing Republican candidates.

Meanwhile, even a quick look at the latest voter registration figures shows that decline-to-state is by far the fastest growing category of California voters.

During the four years since the last presidential primary voting, Democratic voter rolls in California have dropped 124,000, while Republicans lost 224,000. Both parties are down about one percentage point in their portion of the state's voters - roughly 43 percent for Democrats today and about 34 percent for Republicans.

But decline-to-state voters are up by 496,000, now amounting to almost 20 percent of all California voters, compared with 16 percent four years ago.

Secretary of State Debra Bowen suggests that the total of registered voters is up only about 100,000 during this time span due to better tracking and removal of deadwood from the rolls, eliminating voters who have died or simply have no record of casting ballots over multiple elections.

But it's the rise in decline-to-states that is most important. This category has even picked up voters at the expense of fringe parties like the Greens (who lost 30,000 of their previous 166,000 registrants) and the Liberations (down 21,000 from their previous 82,600).

If you add the losses in the enrollments of all the parties, they just about add up to the gains among decline-to-states.

This suggests a growing alienation of voters from all existing parties. But disaffected voters can't go to a party of their own, so it behooves the existing parties to do whatever they can to woo them over.

That's what Democrats are doing by letting anyone registered decline-to-state to walk into his or her polling place and get a Democratic ballot. If independent voters then feel they've had some voice in selecting the Democratic candidate - even if their choice isn't the eventual nominee - historical patterns strongly suggest they'll vote Democratic again in the fall.

Since Democrats already enjoy a 1.4 million voter plurality over Republicans in California, this means the Republicans' task is about to get harder.

Given all this, it's hard to see why Republicans would be so exclusionary. But the state GOP has not seriously considered letting outsiders vote in its presidential primary since the U.S. Supreme Court early in this decade threw out the former "blanket" primary voting system in a decision resulting from a lawsuit filed by both major parties.

The blanket system created by a ballot initiative in 1996 saw all candidates listed together, with voters of all parties able to vote for whichever candidate they liked, regardless of party. The big parties felt this allowed too much potential for mischief, with voters able to cross over and select a weak candidate for the party they don't like.

The new reality, then, is that Democrats are seeking to convert decline-to-states into de facto Democrats, even if those voters don't want the appellation. Meanwhile, Republicans are essentially thumbing their noses at the decline-to-states.

As a result, Democratic candidates will likely rack up a February vote margin in California over Republicans even greater than their plurality among registered voters.

If this happens, Republicans might as well forget about any possibility of wresting California away from the Democrats this fall for the first time since 1988. The presidential vote will also likely carry over into legislative and congressional contests. So if they end up faring poorly, Republicans ought to look inward and blame their own tight-fisted, exclusionary policy for a large part of the problem.

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Congressional candidates town hall forum set for Jan. 4

The Alliance for Democracy invites the public to a community meeting setting in the spirit of New England Town Meeting. The forum will start at 7 p.m. with an introduction by each candidate, leading into a 3-question round of responses by each. The questions will concern community organization, economic justice, and national directions, and will be followed by questions from the floor and candidates’ answers.

Women in Black will be standing for peace in front of Town Hall from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m., and relevant videos will be screened inside from 5:30 to 7 p.m. inside, with art hangings on display. The event will be videotaped and available to all participants at cost. The intent is to stimulate involvement and widen the debate around community responsibilities and those of elected representatives. Information tables and refreshments will be available, and donations for venue costs will be accepted.

For more information, call Bernie Macdonald at 937-4352.

Senior peer counselor volunteer training set to begin in January

The Mendocino County Health and Human Services Agency, Older Adult System of Care, will provide a 14-week training for volunteers who would like to become Senior Peer Counselors. The training is scheduled to begin in January 2008, and will be held in Little River, at the Lodge at the Woods. The trainings will take 3 hours per week.

Senior Peer Counselors are men and women 55 and older, from diverse backgrounds and experiences, who are selected for their warmth, caring and respect for others. The program provides older adults with the opportunity to talk to someone of their age who has experienced similar life changes and can understand their concerns. Services to the client are provided in the client’s home.

Upon graduation from the program, counselors receive bi-weekly supervision and ongoing training.

For more information, or an application, call Cathy Lonergan, Senior Peer Counselor trainer, at 962-1048.

Orientation for new WIA program participants set for Jan. 9

On Wednesday, Jan. 9, 2008, from noon to 12:30 p.m., the Ya-Ka-Ama Indian Education and Development Center will host an orientation for prospective enrollees in its WIA Program.

The WIA Program can help Native Americans or Veterans who are unemployed, underemployed or contemplating a career change, identify their ideal career, find money to pay for training and connect with employers in their new field.

Orientation attendees will learn if they are eligible, how the program works and meet successful graduates. A light lunch will be served.

For more information, or to make reservations, call CJ at 887-1541. Ya-Ka-Ama serves First Americans and Veterans residing in Sonoma, Marin, Napa, Lake and Mendocino counties.

Trail Group workday set for Jan. 12

The Ukiah Valley Trail Group will hold a trail workday on Jan. 12. Volunteers are needed to meet at 9 a.m. at the Long’s parking lot at Perkins and Orchard in Ukiah to carpool to the Deerwood trailhead. As part of the UVTG’s efforts to be responsible stewards of public lands, volunteers will be removing old fencing as well as planting seedlings on a section of old ranch road. Fence posts will be re-used on future trail projects and fencing materials will be hauled out. Volunteers should be prepared with sturdy work shoes, gloves, a bag lunch and drinking water. For more information, call Bill Radtkey at 972-8981 or visit their web site at <http://www.mendotrails.org>.

Presentation of Draft SmartCode set for Tuesday, Jan. 15

The draft ‘Form Based’ Zoning Code for the Ukiah Downtown/Perkins Street corridor will be presented on Tuesday, Jan. 15, from 4 to 8 p.m., at the Ukiah Valley

Conference Center, 200 S. State St., Ukiah. The draft code will be available at the meeting. Call Pamela Townsend, City of Ukiah, at 463-6206 for more information.

Italian night family dinner set for Friday, Jan. 18

A family-style dinner will be served at 6 p.m. at the Ukiah Senior Center on Jan. 18, and the menu includes pasta and meat sauce, green salad, garlic bread and dessert. Wine and beer will also be available at \$2 a glass. Food will be prepared by Chef Lillian.

Non-refundable tickets for Italian Night dinner are only \$8, available in at Ukiah Senior Center or by calling 462-4343. This Board of Directors fundraiser is a benefit for the Ukiah Senior Center.

5th Annual MLK Day Event set for Monday, Jan. 21

Mendocino County Martin Luther King, Jr. Organization (McMLK) invites the public to attend Mendocino County’s 15th annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Day observance. The event will be held on Monday, Jan. 21 at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber at the Ukiah Valley Civic Center located at 300 Seminary Avenue in Ukiah. For more information about McMLK, call LaCretia Peoples, McMLK founder and managing director at 485-4107.

‘Healthy Children: Body, Heart and Mind’ presentation set for Jan. 24

In his brief talk, Dr. Macdonald, a dad, local pediatrician and Raise and Shine provider, will focus on a few things parents and caregivers can do to encourage healthy emotional development. The presentation will be held on Jan. 24 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Ukiah Valley Primary Care’s new building at 260 Hospital Drive (Upstairs, Southeast Corner). Childcare will not be provided. For more information, call Raise and Shine at 462-1233.

‘A Day in Al-Anon’ set for Jan. 26

The Al-Anon Fellowship of Lake and Mendocino Counties (District Two) invites the community to “A Day in Al-Anon,” on Saturday, Jan. 26, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., at the First Presbyterian Church in Ukiah (corner of Dora and Perkins). The Day will host two speakers, numerous workshops, a free lunch, a raffle, and fellowship. A donation of \$5 is requested for the Day. All are welcome to attend.

For more information, call Mary 743-2001 or Marian 463-1867.

CALFIRE accepting Firefighter I applications for 2008

CALFIRE has announced that applications for seasonal Firefighter I will be accepted through Jan. 31, 2008 for the 2008 season in the Mendocino Unit.

Applicants must be 18 years of age at the time of hire. Those interested in applying for this position need to mail or take their application to the CALFIRE Mendocino Unit Headquarters Office at 17501 North Highway 101, Willits, CA.

Applications must be received or postmarked no later than Jan. 31, 2008.

Applications may be obtained from the CALFIRE Fort Bragg Station and CALFIRE Unit Headquarters Office at Howard Forest, Willits, or the Employment Development Departments in Ukiah and Fort Bragg. Local high schools and colleges also have the current applications.

Applications are also being accepted by other GAL FIRE Units throughout the State. Further information can be obtained by contacting CAL FIRE Mendocino Unit Headquarters Office at 459-7414 or via the Internet at [www.fire.ca.gov](http://www.fire.ca.gov).

Alliance for Democracy invites input for its future Feb 2.

The Alliance for Democracy will hold a public gathering on Friday, Feb. 2, at 7 p.m. in Fort Bragg at the Senior Center, 490 North Harold Street. Anyone interested in the Alliance’s mission of restoring democracy and creating environmentally, socially and economically just communities is invited to attend this annual meeting to discuss the Alliance’s future directions and activities.

It has been serving the coastal community by hosting monthly events featuring speakers, panel discussions, and movies on

issues that impact the community, the nation and the world. This meeting is an opportunity for the Alliance to thank the community for its continued support and to invite community input and participation in the Alliance’s future activities on the coast. New, ideas on how to build a sustainable, democratic community are welcome.

For more information, contact Toni Rizzo at 964-8689 or [toni@mcn.org](mailto:toni@mcn.org).

Black History Month event set for Thursday, Feb. 28

The public is invited to attend a Black History Month event scheduled for Thursday, February 28, 2008. The event will be held at the Ukiah Valley Civic Center in the Council Chamber located at 300 Seminary Avenue in Ukiah. The free event is provided to the public by the Mendocino County Martin Luther King, Jr. Organization (McMLK) and friends. For more information about McMLK, call LaCretia Peoples, McMLK founder and managing director at 485-4107.

Frances Moore Lappe to speak on March 7

Frances Moore Lappé, author of “Diet For A Small Planet” and 15 other books, will talk about her newest, “Getting a Grip: Clarity, Creativity & Courage in a World Gone Mad,” and will answer the public’s questions at Fort Bragg’s Town Hall on First Friday, March 7, at 7 p.m.

Author Barbara Kingsolver wrote, “Getting a Grip is not an ordinary book: it’s more like a new pair of glasses, allowing you to see everything around you with greater clarity. Suddenly the world is more comprehensible, more manageable, even more beautiful. You won’t want to take them off.”

Redwood Empire Fair dates will not change

The Redwood Empire Fair Board of Directors has announced that the projected date change for the annual 12th District Agricultural Association fair in Ukiah to the last week in August will not happen as planned. For many years now the Fair has been held the second week in August and the board has been able to obtain a carnival operator as well as assurances from vendors that will allow the Fair to keep the dates of Aug. 7 through 10.

The Fair Board took into consideration a number of factors including a past history of fair dates, the feasibility of continuing to attract quality vendors to the Fair, and local school schedules.

“Timeless Magic” will be the 2008 Redwood Empire Fair theme. “Using a Fair theme allows the Fair staff and all the department supervisors to decorate around a cohesive theme. It is also serves as the theme for many classes in our annual competition,” explains CEO, Jennifer Seward.

Annual Adopt-A-Family program gearing up

Project Sanctuary is inviting community members to participate in its annual “Adopt-A Family” gift-giving program. “Adopt-A-Family” provides an opportunity to “adopt” a family in emotional and financial crisis during the holiday season and provide gifts during a stressful time when resources are scarce. Participants receive some basic information on their adopted family like the gender and ages of the children in the family, sometimes even a wish list is available. The gifts are then brought to Project Sanctuary and dispersed to the adopted family in time for the holidays.

Adopt-A-Family coordinator Porter Dinehart is “...amazed at the generosity of the people who participate in this program. It’s one of the busiest times of the year and one of the most stressful, yet people still come forward year after year to help out. It adds an extra “to-do” to their lists but still they want to participate. I’m so grateful for all they do.”

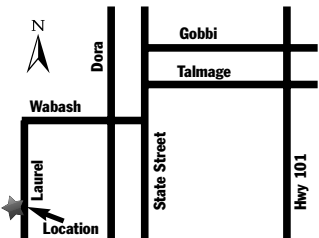
All giving and receiving is anonymous. Those interested in adopting a family can contact Porter Dinehart or Ana Araiza at 462-9196 or by e-mail at [porter@projectsanctuary.org](mailto:porter@projectsanctuary.org) or [ana@projectsanctuary.org](mailto:ana@projectsanctuary.org).



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- Tues. UHS girls basketball vs. Piner, freshmen @ 4:30 p.m., jv 6 p.m. and varsity 7:30 p.m.
- Wed. UHS boys basketball vs. Pine, freshmen @ 4:30 p.m., jv 6 p.m. and varsity 7:30 p.m.
- Wed. Mendocino mens' basketball @ Napa Valley, 7 p.m.
- Wed. Mendocino womens' basketball vs. Marin, 6 p.m.
- Thurs. UHS girls basketball vs. Elsie Allen, freshmen @ 4:30 p.m., jv 6 p.m. and varsity 7:30 p.m.
- Fri. Mendocino mens' basketball @ Yuba, 7:30 p.m.
- Fri. UHS boys basketball vs. Rancho Cotate, freshmen @ 4:30 p.m., jv 6 p.m. and varsity 7:30 p.m.

COMMUNITY  
DIGEST

Mendo Rugby Club

The Mendocino Rugby Club is currently looking for players for the 2008 season which begins on January 26th. The team has begun practicing and practices are held on Wednesdays on the softball field at 5 p.m. All people are welcome with any experience level.

Jr. Shotgun Clinic

The Ukiah gun club will be hosting a junior shotgun clinic on January 12th from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. The Clinic will be available to boys and girls between the ages of 8 and 17. Attendees will learn basic firearm safety, proper firearm storage, the Scholastic Clay Target Program and Basic Fundamentals of American Trap Shooting.

Pizza lunch will be included. The cost is \$25, and 30 slots are available. To sign up call Coach Mann at 743-1141 or Coach Hendricks at 743-2445. Ukiah Gun Club is located on Vichy Springs Road.

Jr. Trapshooting Clinic

The clinic will be held on Jan. 12 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The cost is \$25 and lunch will be provided. The topics of discussion will include safety, handling and storage of firearms, the history of trapshooting etc. Firearms and ammo will be provided. To sign up and get more info call Cliff Mann at 743-1141 or Chris Hendricks at 743-2445

Pony League Signups

Ukiah Pony/Colt league will be having signups for the 2008 season in conjunction with Little League on Jan. 16, 17, and 22. This league is for boys and girls ages 13-17 and all games are located at Anton Stadium.

Please bring a certified copy of your child's birth certificate and the signup fee of \$75. If you have any questions, call Kris at 468-3800.

Null and Sull signups

Both the North and South Ukiah Little League signups will be held Jan. 16, 17, and 22 from 6-8 p.m. in the Yokayo elementary School Cafeteria.

All parents must bring the following: an original state or federal certified birth certificate, three proof of residency documents, the signup fee of \$55 for the first child and \$50 for each additional sibling, and a \$30 deposit for required service hours in the form of a check. Players can be no younger than 5 and no older than 12 by April 30 to participate in Little League. Limited scholarships will be available based on financial need.

If you have an question about North Ukiah Little League, you can call the hotline at 468-4232 or visit the website at [www.eteamz.com/null](http://www.eteamz.com/null). For South Ukiah Little League call 468-8800 or visit their website at [www.eteamz.com/sull](http://www.eteamz.com/sull).

Youth Softball League

The City of Ukiah Community Service Department would like to announce the beginning of registration for the 2008 Girls Youth Softball League. Participants may register individually and will be placed on teams according to their grade level.

The League will be divided into the following divisions: grades K-2 (T-Ball); grades 3 and 4 (pitching machine); grades 5 and 6; and grades 7-12. League play begins in early April and will run through early June. Cost is \$50 per player (sibling discounts and Low Income Discounts are available). The registration deadline is March 7, 2008 and forms are available at the City of Ukiah (411 West Clay) and [www.cityofukiah.com](http://www.cityofukiah.com). For more information, call 463-6714.

Youth Soccer League

Ukiah Valley Youth Soccer League is holding there League Membership Meeting Jan. 22, 6:30 at the Consolidated Tribal Health (on North State St between Calpella and Redwood Valley) At this meeting we will elect new Board of Directors for the 2008 season, establish fee increases adopt any changes to the Constitution, By-Laws and/or General Procedures.

This is an open meeting for anyone to attend and give feedback on how your season went. For further information please visit our website [uvysl.org](http://uvysl.org) or call the hotline at 467-9797.

Baseball Clinic

The city of Ukiah and the Ukiah High Wildcats would like to announce the beginning of registration for a baseball clinic supervised by UHS baseball coaching staff.

This clinic is completely free and will be held every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 3 to 5 p.m. and began on December 4th. The clinic is open to boys ages 13-17 all the way through the end of January.

# Rivers, LT lead Chargers to 17-6 playoff win over Titans

**By BERNIE WILSON**  
**AP Sports Writer**  
SAN DIEGO — Well, wouldn't you know it, the San Diego Chargers can win in the playoffs.

Thirteen long years after their last postseason victory, the Chargers finally came to life late in the second half Sunday to beat the Tennessee Titans 17-6 in an AFC wild-card game.

A gloomy, rainy afternoon never looked so good in normally sunny San Diego. Star running back LaDainian Tomlinson was held to 42 yards, but got to celebrate the

first playoff victory in three tries in his brilliant career.

The Titans bottled up Tomlinson, the two-time NFL rushing champion and the 2006 NFL MVP, and dared quarterback Philip Rivers to beat them. The second-year starter did just that, throwing a 25-yard touchdown pass to Vincent Jackson late in the third quarter that gave San Diego its first lead at 10-6.

Tomlinson finally found the end zone midway through the fourth quarter, on a fourth-down leap over the pile from inside the 1 that had to survive a video replay.

Tomlinson went airborne and was met by linebacker Stephen Tulloch, but the running back used a second effort to get the ball over the goal line before linebacker Colin Allred knocked it out of his hands.

Tomlinson jumped for joy once he emerged from the pile, but Titans coach Jeff Fisher threw his red challenge flag. After a video review, it was ruled that the ball crossed the plane of the goal line. Tomlinson celebrated again on the sideline.

There would be no comeback for Vince Young and the

Titans (10-7), who were missing four offensive starters due to injuries.

Just like that, the nightmares of the Marty Schottenheimer era finally went away.

Schottenheimer was fired due to front-office friction in February, a month after San Diego inexplicably melted down in a 24-21 divisional-round playoff loss to New England. The Chargers had gone an NFL-best 14-2 in 2006.

Two years earlier, the Chargers lost in overtime to the New York Jets in a home

# Spurs get win over Clippers

**By KEN PETERS**  
**AP Sports Writer**  
LOS ANGELES — Tim Duncan had 17 points and 17 rebounds, Tony Parker scored 26 points and the San Antonio Spurs beat the Los Angeles Clippers 88-82 Sunday afternoon.

Manu Ginobili, back for San Antonio after missing five games with a sprained left index finger, scored 12 of his 23 points in the fourth quarter. He had his hand wrapped to protect his injured finger.

The game was close most of the way, with the defending NBA champion Spurs opening their biggest lead at 85-77 when Parker made one of two free throws with 3:10 remaining.

He had put San Antonio ahead to stay when he hit a 3-pointer from the left corner for a 76-74 lead with 5:21 to play. His wife, actress Eva Longoria, was sitting courtside along the baseline, some 5 feet away.

Michael Finley made just one of his 10 shots, but had 11 rebounds as the Spurs beat the Clippers for the eighth time in a row and 15th in their last 16 meetings.

Los Angeles made a game of it though, playing solid defense and getting 20 points and 14 rebounds from Chris Kaman, and 17 points and eight boards from rookie Al Thornton. Corey Maggette had 14 points.

Ginobili's two free throws gave the Spurs a 64-62 lead heading into the fourth quarter after the teams swapped the lead back and fourth in the third.

Duncan had five rebounds to go with his six points in the period, and Parker scored eight points.

Tim Thomas was back for the Clippers after being sidelined for four games by a sore left knee. He had seven points.

After San Antonio fell behind 37-27 with 7:35 left in the second quarter, Duncan had 10 points, six rebounds and two steals to lead a 15-5 run that sent the game into the break tied at 42.

He finished the half with 11 points and 11 rebounds, and Parker had 12 points.

Kaman led Los Angeles with 11 points and nine rebounds, but had just three points, all on free throws, in the second quarter.

Kaman's eight points and five rebounds in the first quarter helped the Clippers to a 24-21 lead. Bruce Bowen was the Spurs' top scorer in the period, with just five points. He had just one more point the rest of the game.

**Notes:** San Antonio G Brent Barry missed his fifth game in a row with a torn left calf muscle.

Los Angeles F Aaron Williams sat out his ninth game because of a sprained left wrist.

The Spurs, who got off to a 17-3 start this season, are 6-6 in their last 12 games.

Duncan had 34 points on 12-for-22 shooting, with 18 rebounds, in San Antonio's 99-90 victory over the Clippers on Dec. 22.



Nhat V. Meyer/Mercury News

Stanford's Jayne appel scored 22 points and had 11 rebounds in the upset loss to USC.

# Stanford falls to LeNoir jumper

**By BETH HARRIS**  
**AP Sports Writer**  
LOS ANGELES — Camille LeNoir hit a jumper with 8.1 seconds remaining, giving Southern California a 73-72 upset victory over No. 2 Stanford on Sunday.

LeNoir scored 21 points, including a career high-tying five 3-pointers, for the Trojans (9-6, 2-2 Pac-10), who ended a 10-game losing streak to the Cardinal.

Jayne Appel had 22 points and 11 rebounds, Candice Wiggins added 17 points and Kayla Pedersen added 14 points and eight rebounds for the Cardinal (12-3, 2-2), which got swept in Los Angeles for the first time

since the 1993-94 season.

Stanford had its nine-game winning streak snapped Friday night in a 69-56 loss at UCLA.

The Trojans went 1-3 facing three consecutive ranked opponents, losing to Arizona State and California before beating the Cardinal.

Neither team led by more than five points in the second half.

Appel made one of two free throws for a 72-71 lead with 38 seconds left. LeNoir's basket put the Trojans ahead for good before Wiggins put up an airball at the final buzzer.

The Trojans shot 58 percent from 3-point range. They trailed

# Clemens open to lie-detector test

**By RONALD BLUM**  
**AP Baseball Writer**  
NEW YORK — Roger Clemens might be willing to take a lie-detector test, was "shocked" close friend Andy Pettitte used human growth hormone and, in his first interview since the Mitchell Report, said — again — that he probably will retire.

Clemens sounded indignant and defiant during the nearly 14-minute segment broadcast on CBS's "60 Minutes" Sunday night.

He said he would have spoken with baseball drug investigator George Mitchell had he been aware former trainer Brian McNamee accused him

of using steroids and HGH, and said the cost of litigation had made him wary of filing a lawsuit.

The seven-time Cy Young Award winner, the most prominent player implicated in last month's Mitchell Report, steadfastly maintained his innocence and called McNamee's allegations "totally false."

In excerpts of the Dec. 28 interview that were released Thursday, Clemens said McNamee, his former personal trainer, injected him with vitamin B-12 and the painkiller lidocaine.

In the full 14-minute broad-

cast, Clemens also said he was given an injection of toradol under the supervision of the New York Yankees.

McNamee told Mitchell he injected Clemens with steroids and HGH about 16-to-21 times during 1998, 2000 and 2001 — before baseball players and owners agreed to ban performance-enhancing substances.

"If he's doing that to me, I should have a third ear coming out of my forehead," Clemens said. "I should be pulling tractors with my teeth."

He said his lawyer advised him not to speak with Mitchell.

"If I would've known what this man, what Brian McNamee (had) said in this report, I would have been down there in a heartbeat to take care of it," Clemens said.

Only two active players, Jason Giambi and Frank Thomas, spoke with Mitchell, a Boston Red Sox director and a former Senate majority leader.

On Friday, Clemens did speak with McNamee by telephone, an individual close to the situation said, speaking on condition of anonymity because public comments weren't authorized. The conversation first was reported Sunday by Newsday.

The individual would not

say what was discussed between the two.

Clemens is scheduled to hold a news conference Monday in Houston, part of his campaign to clear his name.

In addition, the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform has asked Clemens, Pettitte and McNamee to testify under oath at a Jan. 16 hearing.

Former Yankees teammate Chuck Knoblauch, McNamee and former Mets clubhouse attendant Kirk Radomski, who allegedly supplied McNamee with performance-enhancing drugs, also have been asked to testify.





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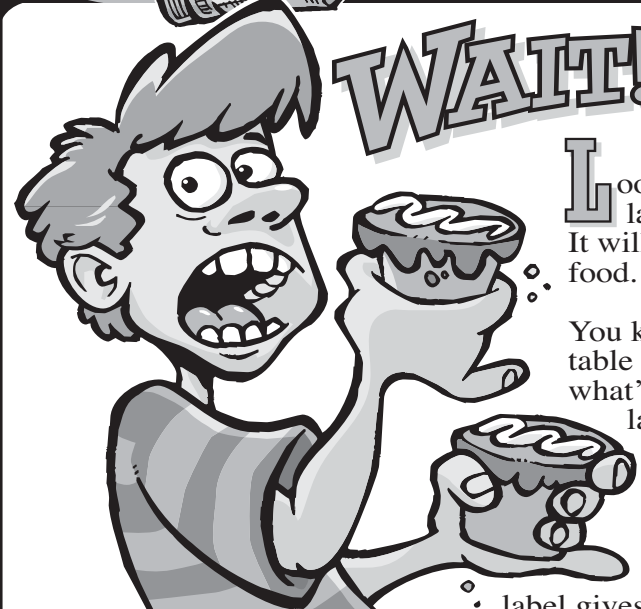
# This Week: Food Labels

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What is your favorite healthy snack? 

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## WAIT!

Before you pop that bite of food into your mouth, do you know what exactly is in it?

**L**ook for the Nutrition Facts label on the food's package. It will tell you what is in the food.

You know how books have a table of contents that explains what's inside? Nutrition Facts labels are like that. They tell you what's inside the food you are eating.

**T**he Nutrition Facts label gives you information about the nutrients in the food. The Nutrition Facts label is printed somewhere on the outside of packaged food and you usually don't have to look hard to find it.

**Standards Link:** Health: Know the nutritional value of different foods.

Nutrition Facts labels also tell the **percentage** provided by that food of the recommended daily amount of a nutrient. The cupcake nutrition label says one serving of these snacks provide 22% of the amount of fat recommended to be eaten in one day. *(That's an awful LOT!)*

**Serving Size:** Nutrition Facts labels list a serving size, which is an amount of food such as 2 crackers, 1 cup of cereal, 2 cookies, or 5 pretzels. The nutrition label tells you how many nutrients are in *that* amount of food.

Some nutrients are measured in *milligrams*, or **mg**. Milligrams are very tiny—there are one thousand milligrams in a gram.

Most nutrients are measured in *grams*, also written as **g**.

## Nutrition Facts

Serving Size: 2 Cakes (106g)  
Serving Per Container 1


Amount Per Serving	
<b>Calories</b> 400	Calories from Fat 130
<b>% Daily Value*</b>	
<b>Total Fat</b> 14g	<b>22 %</b>
Saturated Fat 6g	<b>30 %</b>
Trans Fat 1g	
<b>Cholesterol</b> 30mg	<b>10 %</b>
<b>Sodium</b> 410mg	<b>17 %</b>
<b>Total Carbohydrate</b> 67g	<b>22 %</b>
Dietary Fiber less than 1g	<b>2 %</b>
Sugars 51g	
<b>Protein</b> 2g	
Vitamin A 0%	Vitamin C 0%
Calcium 20%	Iron 4%

\* Percent Daily Values are based on a 2,000 calorie diet. Your daily values may be higher or lower depending on your calorie needs.


Standards Link: Health/Nutrition: Understand nutrition information (e.g., food labels).

## Nutrition Navigator Game

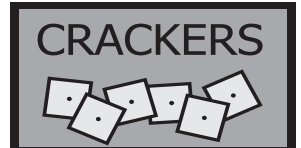
Nellie is navigating the aisles of the grocery store looking at Nutrition Facts labels. Fill in the blanks on her list.




Total Fat	13g	21%
Cholesterol	15mg	21%
Sodium	480mg	20%
Vitamin A		6%




Total Fat	1g	1%
Cholesterol	0mg	0%
Sodium	200mg	8%
Vitamin A		0%




Total Fat	8g	12%
Cholesterol	0mg	0%
Sodium	250mg	10%
Vitamin A		2%



Total Fat	0.5g	1%
Cholesterol	0mg	0%
Sodium	630mg	26%
Vitamin A		15%



Total Fat	0g	0%
Cholesterol	0mg	0%
Sodium	390mg	16%
Vitamin A	4g	16%



Food with the highest amount of sodium: \_\_\_\_\_

Food with the highest amount of fat: \_\_\_\_\_

Food with the least amount of Vitamin A: \_\_\_\_\_

Food with the least amount of sodium: \_\_\_\_\_

**Extra! Extra!**

### Help Nellie Make Her Lunch

Look through the newspaper for four or more healthy foods for Nellie's lunch. Cut them out and glue them onto a piece of paper or a paper plate. Is each food from a different food group?

Standards Link: Health/Nutrition: Classify foods and food combinations according to the food groups.



## Kid Scoop Together: Missing Letters

Oops! Some of the letters are missing in the article below. Can you fill in the missing letter combinations where they belong?

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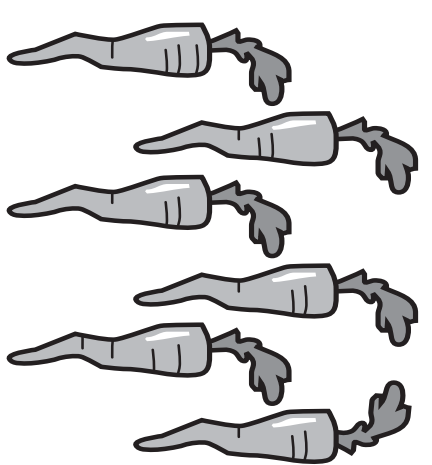
## Modern Carrots

Carrots have not always been the powerhouse source of vitamin A that they are today. Scientists figured out how to pack carrots with beta-carotene – an orange pigment used by the body to create vitamin A.

Scientists have also created a rainbow of carrot colors. Now there are purple, red, yellow and even white carrots. Scientists have found that plant pigments (colors) do a lot of good things for human bodies.

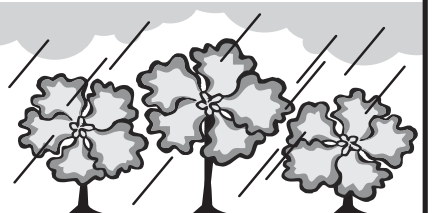
**Standards Link:** Reading Comprehension: Use context clues to determine the meaning of words.

Find the two identical carrots.




## What a Character!

### Optimism is ...



... finding the silver lining in a gray cloud.



## VOCABULARY BUILDERS

**This week's word: OPTIMISTIC**

The noun **optimistic** means seeing the positive side of things and situations.

Carl was **optimistic** about making the baseball team.

Try to use the word **optimistic** in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family members.

## The Kid Scoop Puzzler

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Price: 90¢

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**Standards Link:** Math/Number Sense: Use basic and advanced procedures while performing the processes of computation.

## Double Double Word Search

Find the words in the puzzle, then in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

N	R	D	R	Y	G	R	E	N	E
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N	O	P	U	O	C	S	F	N	V

**Standards Link:** Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.



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### Half empty or half full?

Attitudes are part of mental health. Use the sports or editorial section to find examples of optimistic statements and pessimistic statements. Circle optimistic statements in **red**. Circle pessimistic statements in **blue**.

**Standards Link:** Health: Identify examples of positive and negative mental health; know that mental and physical health are connected.



## What kind of tree stores food?

**ANSWER:** A pan-tree (pantry)!

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## Write On!

### Eat Right!

Write a poem that encourages kids to eat the right kinds of food.





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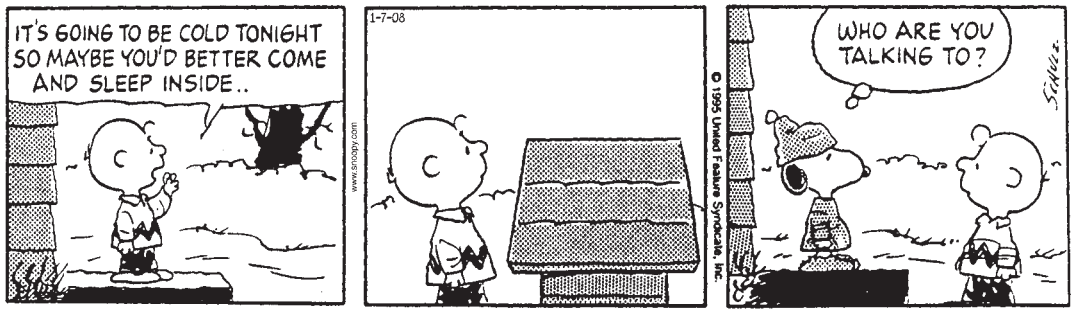
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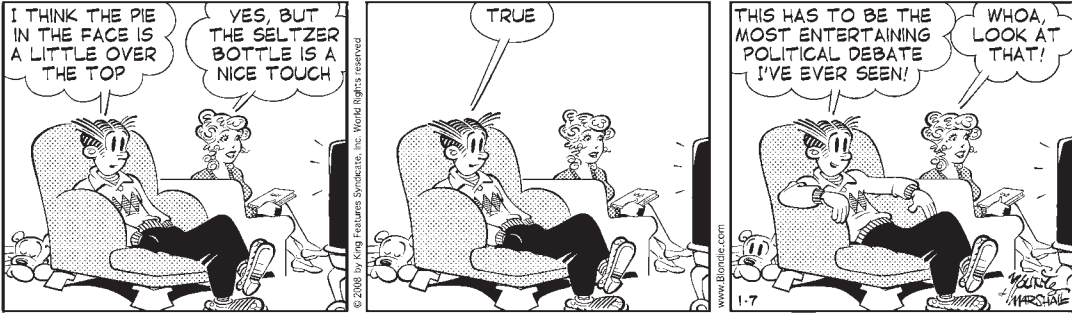
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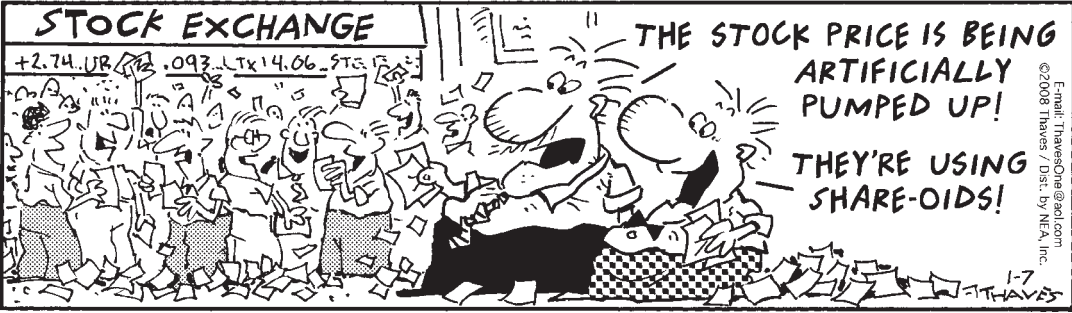
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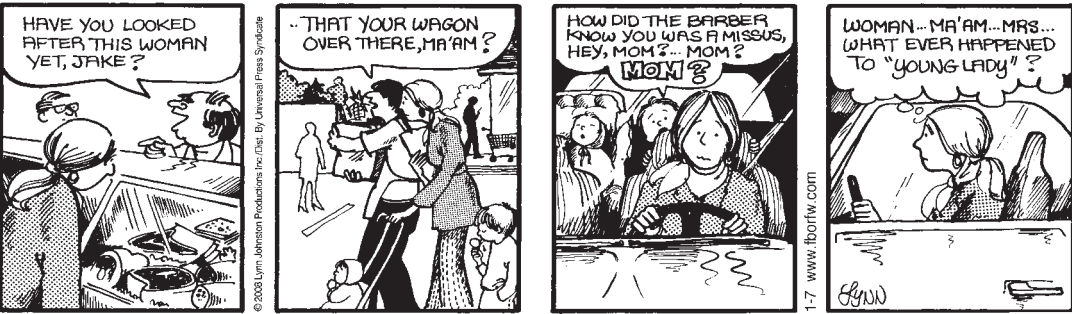
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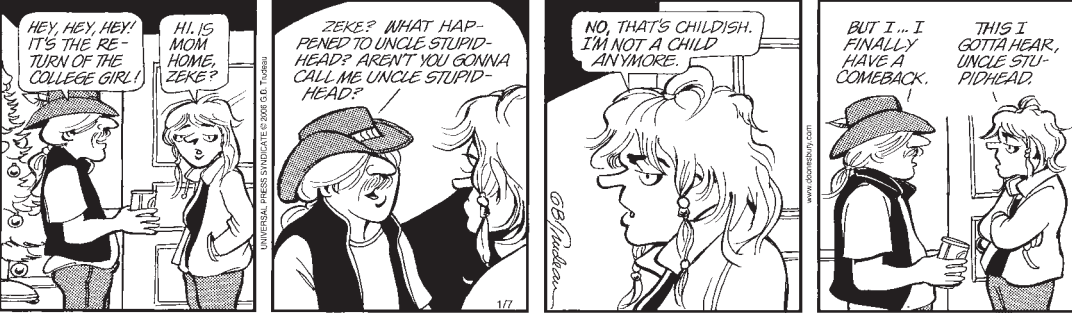
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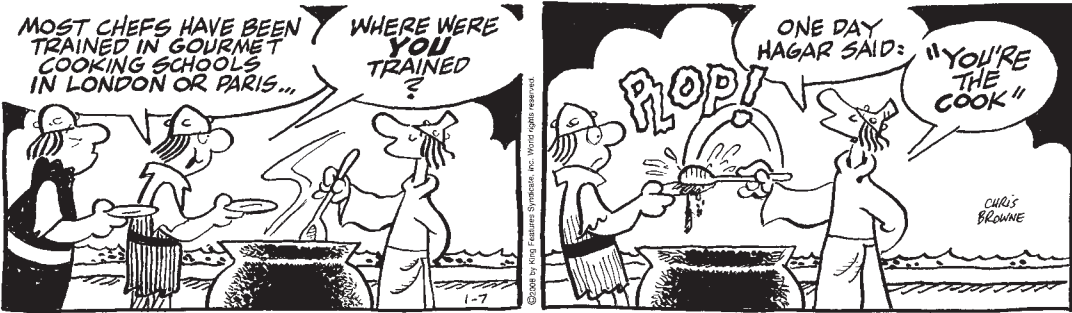
DOONESBURY

by Gary Trudeau



HAGAR THE HORRIBLE

by Dik Browne



Datebook: Monday, January 7, 2008

Today is the seventh day of 2008 and the 17th day of winter.  
**TODAY'S HISTORY:** In 1785, Jean-Pierre Blanchard and Dr. John Jeffries crossed the English Channel in a balloon.  
In 1955, Marian Anderson made her debut at

New York's Metropolitan Opera House, becoming the first African-American to sing there.  
In 1999, the impeachment trial of President Bill Clinton began in the Senate.  
**TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS:** Millard Fillmore

(1800-1874), U.S. president; Francis Poulenc (1899-1963), composer; Zora Neale Hurston (1891-1960), writer; Charles Addams (1912-1988), cartoonist; David Caruso (1956-), actor, is 52; Katie Couric (1957-), TV news anchor, is 51; Nicolas Cage (1964-), actor, is 44.  
**TODAY'S SPORTS:** In 1927, in Hinckley, Ill., the Harlem Globetrotters played the first game of their long career.

**TODAY'S QUOTE:** "You know, everybody makes mistakes when they are president." -- Bill Clinton  
**TODAY'S FACT:** The original Harlem Globetrotters were actually from Chicago. The name was a marketing tool. The team didn't play a game in Harlem until 1968.  
**TODAY'S MOON:** Between last quarter (Dec. 31) and new moon (Jan. 8).



ASTROGRAPH

By Bernice Bede Osol



**Tuesday, Jan. 8, 2008**  
A number of impressive changes in your game plan will be figured out in the year ahead. These will enable you to break through the barrier. What you have learned from past experience will allow you to select better targets.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** -- You have an opportunity to disengage yourself from an unproductive arrangement that you are caught up in. It is to your benefit to let it go and move on with the many new and wonderful things that await you.  
**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** -- Something you previously viewed from a purely intellectual level will find new productive insight if you throw your emotions and

feelings into the mix. The human factor will prove to be what was missing all along.  
**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** -- An endeavor you have wanted to initiate but held off doing will finally run out of excuses. When it does, you will see the route that needs to be taken and move on it.  
**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** -- Now is the time to establish some lofty objectives for yourself, especially those that are bigger than ones you are accustomed to. Even if you miss your mark, your progress will exceed your old exploits.  
**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** -- Do not ignore any opportunities you get to acquire new knowledge pertaining to your

present plans. What you learn could be far more useful than anything you had imagined in opening new doors.  
**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** -- Listen attentively to any new proposals others have on the table, because there is a strong probability that one in particular will be extremely enticing. It might involve a joint endeavor that you will fit into quite nicely.  
**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** -- Something that has been tedious to negotiate may finally break ground in coming to an amicable agreement. You can now move forward into new territory that will be quite fruitful.  
**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** -- This is a better time than

usual to initiate that exercise or diet program you have been putting off. Chances are better that this time you will stick to your goal and accomplish your aims exactly as you envision.  
**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** -- You have wanted to play a much more active role in an involvement that you have had little to say about -- the time to speak up is now. You will be given an opportunity to exercise your will and show your stuff.  
**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** -- A constructive, new direction will affect both you and your family. Even if not everybody is quite ready to move on it, they will be willing to hop on board when they

see the wagon rolling forward.  
**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** -- Begin to reshape your present plans so they will be more concise and orderly. You will have better focus on what you intend to accomplish over the coming weeks.  
**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** -- Be on your toes for a new financial trend that is being ushered in, because it is one that would be personally rewarding in more ways than you anticipate. You will want to take advantage of all that it has to offer.  
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## ACROSS

- 1 Showtime rival  
4 Sprawls  
8 Lettuce layer  
11 Rochester's Jane  
13 Tombstone deputy  
14 Primate  
15 Move the furniture  
17 Actress — Thompson  
18 Not awake  
19 Less cramped  
21 NBC rival  
22 Ceiling  
23 Watchdog breed  
26 Population survey  
29 Speckles  
30 Fender nick  
31 Apply salve  
33 Note before la  
34 Physics topic  
35 Cruising  
36 Inelegat solu-

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- 38 Urban maps  
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41 Wahine's welcome  
44 Piece of china  
48 Driving hazard  
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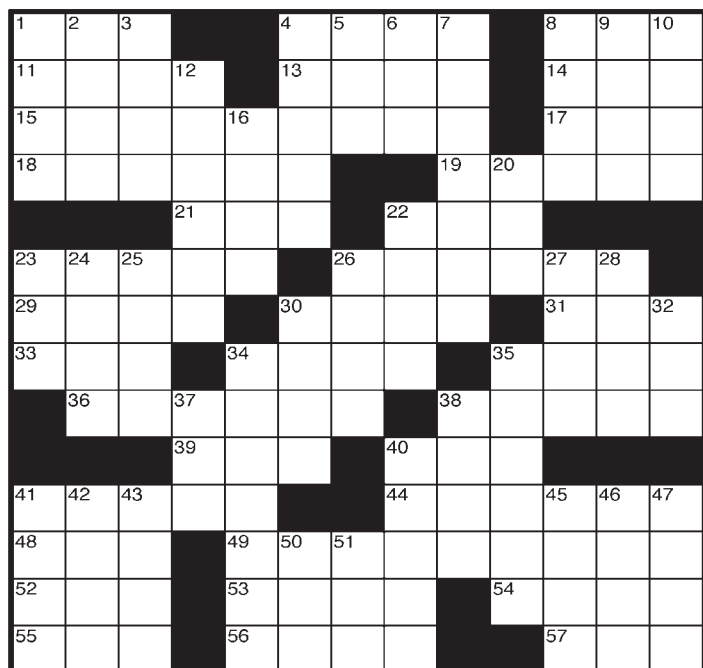
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## Answer to Previous Puzzle



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9 Pentathlon event  
10 Honey  
12 Constructs  
16 "Fancy" singer  
20 Psyche parts  
22 Monocle, for instance  
23 TV spots  
24 Flake  
25 "— cost you"  
26 Movie  
27 Sky bear  
28 Tallow source  
30 Venetian magistrate  
32 — relief  
34 Forms a thought  
35 Busy places in June  
37 Yech!  
38 Dappled  
40 Fling  
41 In the distance  
42 Loony  
43 Curved molding  
45 Dessert choice  
46 Versatile vehicles  
47 Benches  
50 Derisive snort  
51 My mind — blank

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## THE LEARNING CHALLENGER

by Robert Barnett



## DIRECTIONS:

A. Using each "Chaos Grid" number with its letter one time, arrange the numbers with their letters for the "Order Grid" so each vertical column, horizontal row, and two diagonals each ADD to numbers inside thick lined cells.

B. Some correct numbers with their letters have been put into the "Order Grid" to get you started. Also, above the "Order Grid" is a "Decoded Message" clue.

C. After you have solved the "Order Grid" doing as direction "A" says, put the letters from horizontal rows, from left to right, under "Decoded Message" and make words to form the answer.

## CHAOS GRID

29	26	38	3
E	N	V	O
32	8	27	30
T	D	L	W
6	11	5	3
R	E	O	3
0	14	37	31
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## CLUE: THREADBARE

## ORDER GRID

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## DECODED MESSAGE:

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CELEBRITY CIPHER  
by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

Today's clue: O equals P

"HGLWAWZ PMDR, 'DF'P YLF  
HGWFGWZ KLI HDY LZ JLPW FGMF  
TLIYFP, 'OZLEMEJK JLPF."  
- NMZFDYM YMAZMFDJLAM

PREVIOUS SOLUTION — "One of my heroes is Barbie. She may not do anything, but she always looks great doing it." - Paris Hilton

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## JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

## BATHI



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## FEACH



## TIFFUL



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## MIRVEN



A: THE

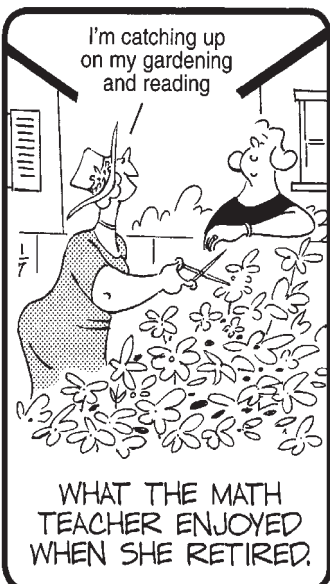
"(Answers tomorrow)

Saturday's

Jumbles: BALMY NATAL UNPACK APIECE  
Answer: Often spotted in a fancy restaurant —  
A NAPKIN

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

by Henri Arnold and Mike Argirion



Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

## Co-worker feels that returning racial banter is not funny

**Dear Annie:** I was talking to a co-worker the other day, and he was telling me in a joking manner that where I come from, people eat reindeer. I responded to him, while smiling, saying, "You guys eat dogs!" (He is Korean.)

He got really upset and called me many vulgarities and left. I approached him and apologized, but he told me to stay away. I apologized again the next day, but he wouldn't listen. This is causing bad feelings since we work in the same office, but I feel I have done enough and am not willing to go any further. Any suggestions? -- Fight to the Finnish

**Dear Finnish:** Your co-worker thought your comment was more insulting than funny, although he should have been willing to take what he dished out. Try one more time. Tell him you didn't realize your comment was so insensitive and you are sorry. You also can ask someone else in the office to talk to him on your behalf and explain that you did not intend to hurt his feelings. If he still won't speak to

## ANNIE'S MAILBOX

By Kathy Mitchell and Marcy Sugar

you, there's nothing more you can do.

**Dear Annie:** I am a 60-year-old widow with a 30-year-old son who is mildly autistic, but lives in his own apartment and has a job. "Dean" has no friends, but seems to be happy with his computer and some other hobbies. He is often at my house and eats supper here many times during the week.

Sometimes wonder if, by tolerating this situation, I am keeping Dean from making friends. When he was at school, he was often shunned and bullied because of his eccentricities. He is a pleasure to be around, very intelligent, and I don't mind him being here.

Should I suggest he come less frequently?

How do I do this without seeming to reject him? I worry about when I am no longer around. -- Mother in Edmonton

**Dear Mother:** Please don't suggest he come less frequently. Your home is a safe and loving environment. We spoke to staff at the Autism Society of America (autism-society.org) and this is what they said:

As much as we would like to be here forever to care for our children, we have to help them grow and expand their support networks. Suggest having dinner together at his house. He could even build his skills by cooking for you. However, Dean needs to find safe environments beyond your home. You can help him now by creating opportunities to build social skills and become less dependent on you, yet also supporting him when things don't work out. Joining groups like MAAP Services for Autism and Asperger Syndrome (maap-services.org) and GRASP, the Global and Regional Asperger Syndrome Partnership (grasp.org), can be a great way for him to meet people and not have to fear being shunned.

There also are online groups and community-based clubs that provide opportunities to interact with like-minded people. Provide concrete information about the good points of friendships to Dean, how to meet people and strike up a conversation, and reassure him about why people would like to have him as a friend. As you said, he's a pleasure!

**Dear Annie:** I read the letter from "This Violet Is Blue," who has been married to her husband for 20 years, but he still plans to be buried next to his first wife. It's a very interesting problem that is becoming more common.

As a former provider of funeral services, I encountered this situation and came up with a viable solution. When her husband dies, he can be cremated, and half the ashes can be buried with his first wife, and the other half with "Violet." It's a good compromise, and everyone can be satisfied with the results. -- Kelowna, B.C.

**Dear Kelowna:** Many thanks for one possible resolution to a tricky problem.

MONDAY EVENING												
1/7/08	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	
BROADCAST CHANNELS												
(2)	College Football: BCS National Championship -- LSU vs. Ohio State						Postgame	Seinfeld ∩	Ten O'clock News (N)	Seinfeld ∩		
(4)	News (N)		Extra (N)	Hollywood	American Gladiators (N)	Deal or No Deal (N) ∩		Medium "And Then" (N)	News (N)			
(5)	News (N) [E]		Eye-Bay	Judge J.	How I Met	Big Bang	Two Men	Rules	CSI: Miami ∩ [E]	News (N)		
(6)	News (N) [E]		Jeopardy!	Fortune	Dance War: Bruno vs. Carrie Ann (N) [E]				October Road (N) [E]	News (N)		
[6]	News-Lehrer		New Valley	Romance	Antiques Roadshow (N)	Great Performances (N) ∩			[E]	Antiques		
(8)	Paparazzi		Alma Gemela		Película se Anunciará				Alma Gemela	Night Show		
(9)	News-Lehrer		Business	Kornbluth	Antiques Roadshow (N)	Antiques Roadshow			Great Performances (N) ∩			
[20]	Fresh Pr.	My Wife	My Wife	Jim	Law Order: CI		News		Jim	Married... Reno 911!		
[36]	Still Snd	Still Snd	70s Show	TMZ (N) ∩	Cops [E]	Cops [E]	Seinfeld ∩	70s Show	Frasier	Frasier ∩ TMZ		
[40]	College Football: BCS National Championship -- LSU vs. Ohio State						Postgame	Raymond	News (N) ∩		Two Men	
[44]	Lopez	Simpsons	Simpsons	Two Men	Chris	Aliens	Girlfriends	The Game	Family Guy	Family Guy	Two Men	
[50]	The Insider	Entertain	Still Snd	Still Snd	Raymond	Raymond	Frasier	Frasier ∩	The Insider	Entertain	Blind Date	
CABLE CHANNELS												
A&E	CSI: Miami ∩ [E]		CSI: Miami "Cop Killer"		Intervention "Jill" [E]		Intervention "Brooke"		Paranormal	Paranormal	Psychic	
AMC	(5:00) ★★ "Mission: Impossible"		Movie: ★★ "Firefox" (1982, Action)		Clint Eastwood, Freddie Jones.		Movie: "Navy SEALS"					
COM	(5:00) "Cadillac Man"		Scrubs ∩	Scrubs ∩	Daily Show	Colbert	Futurama	South Park	Scrubs ∩	Scrubs ∩	Daily Show	
DISC	Cash Cab	Cash Cab	How-Made	How-Made	Human Hobbit		Sasquatch: Legend		America's Loch Ness		MythBust	
DISN	Suite Life	Suite Life	Montana	Suite Life	"Adventures of Sharkboy"			So Raven	So Raven	Life Derek	Suite Life	
ESPN	(5:00) SportsCenter Special (Live) [E]			SportsCenter (Live) [E]			SportsCenter (Live) [E]			Football	NFL Live	SportsCtr.
FAM	Movie: ★★ "Casper" (1995) Christina Ricci.			Movie: ★★ "Casper" (1995) Christina Ricci.			Funniest Home Videos			700 Club		
FSB	Final Score		Top 50	Net Impact	NBA Basketball San Antonio Spurs at Golden State Warriors.			Final Score		Final Score	Toughman	
LIFE	Reba [E]	Reba [E]	Still Snd	Still Snd	Reba [E]	Reba [E]	★★ "Amber Frey: Witness for the Prosecution"			Will-Grace		
NICK	Drake	Drake	Zoey 101	School	SpongeBob	Drake	Home Imp.	Home Imp.	Lopez	Lopez	Fresh Pr.	
SCI FI	Star Trek: Enterprise			Star Trek: Enterprise			Tactics	Tactics	Noein ∩	Noein ∩	Twilight Z.	
TBS	Friends ∩	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Friends ∩	Friends ∩	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Sex & City	
TNN	CSI: Crime Scn			CSI: Crime Scn			CSI: Crime Scn			Movie: ★★ "Tommy Boy" (1995) Premiere.		CSI
TNT	Law & Order "C.O.D."			Law & Order [E] (DVS)			Law & Order [E] (DVS)			Law & Order "Magnet"		The Closer
USA	Law & Order: SVU			Law Order: CI			Law & Order: SVU			WWE Monday Night Raw ∩ [E]		Law SVU
WGN	Funniest Home Videos			WGN News at Nine (N)			Scrubs ∩	Scrubs ∩	Corner Gas	Becker ∩	Funniest Home Videos	Wilkos
PREMIUM CHANNELS												
HBO	Movie: ★★ "Lady in the Water" (2006) [E]				Movie: ★★ "The Last King of Scotland" 'R'				Extras Success is not what it seems.			
MAX	(5:30) "Ricochet" (1991)		[15] Movie: ★★ "Scent of a Woman" (1992) Al Pacino, 'R'		[15] Movie: ★★ "Aeon Flux" (2005) PG-13		Movie: ★★ "Reno 911!: Miami"					
SHOW	"Life"		★★ "Sister Act 2: Back in the Habit"		[15] Movie: ★★ "Aeon Flux" (2005) PG-13		The L Word		"Story Us"			



# The Ukiah Daily Journal Classifieds



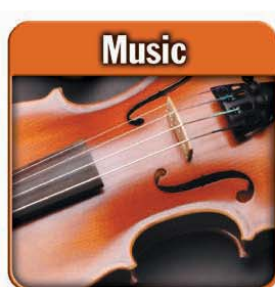
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- 550...Produce

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**United Way RFP Announcement**  
Applications available January 15, 2008  
Submission deadline February 25, 2008  
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#### PUBLIC NOTICE

014-08

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### 10 NOTICES

services in our four Focused Funding areas:  
●After-school/ summer programs focused on youth in grades four through eight;  
●Parenting/ social-skills training for parents;  
●Emergency food/ shelter, transitional and permanent supportive housing programs; and  
●Senior food, mental-health programs.  
Please contact Chanda Zirkelbach, VP of Community Impact for more information: 707-528-4485 ext.110 or via e-mail at [chanda.zirkelbach@uwsmi.org](mailto:chanda.zirkelbach@uwsmi.org).  
There will be an applicant orientation February 1, 2008 from 2:00 - 4:00 PM at the Santa Rosa Transit Department Training Room 103, located at 45 Stony Point Road, Santa Rosa.

### 30 LOST & FOUND

Remember when there were cherry trees at Butlers' Ranch? Well I thought I would go up there and take a look. Well not only was there not a cherry in sight, but I got lost. Now I am safe in the Ukiah Shelter at 298 Plant Rd. I am a 4 month old female Lab mix. If no one comes and finds me I will be available for adoption 1/5. Call Sage 467-6453

### 30 LOST & FOUND

Remember where the old dump use to be? Well I was on my way to check out what that land looks now. I had gotten as far as El Dorado Estates when someone picked me up and took me to the Ukiah shelter. I am a 1 year old male Lhasa Apso mix and I was traveling with another small dog who would not get into the car. Call Sage if I am yours at 467-6453

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**Check Adjustment Desk**  
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**Apply in person at 200 N. School St. Ukiah, CA by Monday, January 14, 2008 at 4:00 p.m. EOE/AA m/f/v/d**

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**TUESDAY**

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Rainy



**WEDNESDAY**

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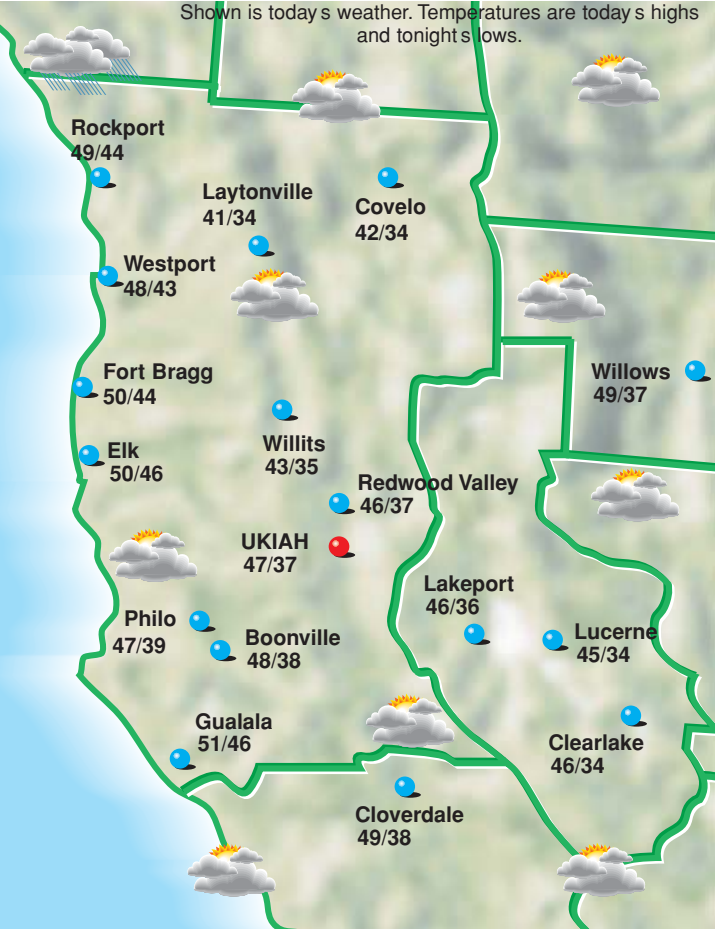
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Month to date ..... 4.96"  
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City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Tue. Hi/Lo/W	City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Tue. Hi/Lo/W
Anaheim	59/45/pc	63/45/pc	Napa	51/40/c	51/39/r
Antioch	49/39/c	51/40/r	Needles	59/41/r	63/41/pc
Arroyo Grande	58/40/c	58/36/pc	Oakland	52/39/c	54/43/r
Atascadero	54/34/c	56/40/pc	Ontario	53/39/pc	59/41/pc
Auburn	47/35/c	48/39/r	Orange	59/44/pc	63/41/pc
Barstow	51/33/r	54/37/pc	Oxnard	55/42/pc	57/44/pc
Big Sur	53/41/c	56/45/r	Palm Springs	59/42/r	63/44/pc
Bishop	46/21/c	47/25/c	Pasadena	57/42/pc	61/45/pc
Blythe	60/40/r	64/41/pc	Pomona	57/42/pc	62/40/pc
Burbank	57/40/pc	60/42/pc	Potter Valley	46/36/c	47/38/r
California City	51/33/r	53/33/pc	Redding	45/40/c	44/36/r
Carpinteria	56/46/pc	56/43/pc	Riverside	56/38/r	59/41/pc
Catalina	55/45/pc	57/46/pc	Sacramento	49/39/c	49/41/r
Chico	48/37/c	49/38/r	Salinas	55/39/c	56/41/r
Crescent City	50/41/c	51/42/r	San Bernardino	59/40/r	62/41/pc
Death Valley	60/36/c	63/36/pc	San Diego	59/50/r	60/50/pc
Downey	61/45/pc	62/45/pc	San Fernando	55/41/pc	59/43/pc
Encinitas	58/48/r	60/46/pc	San Francisco	52/42/c	54/47/r
Escondido	60/42/r	64/44/pc	San Jose	52/39/c	55/42/r
Eureka	48/41/c	51/40/r	San Luis Obispo	54/36/c	57/41/pc
Fort Bragg	50/44/c	52/41/r	San Rafael	51/41/c	52/41/r
Fresno	50/38/c	50/36/c	Santa Ana	57/44/pc	61/45/pc
Gilroy	52/39/c	54/39/r	Santa Barbara	58/37/pc	59/41/pc
Indio	63/40/r	65/41/pc	Santa Cruz	54/42/c	55/44/r
Irvine	57/44/pc	61/45/pc	Santa Monica	58/46/pc	61/47/pc
Hollywood	57/44/pc	60/46/pc	Santa Rosa	51/38/c	52/37/r
Lake Arrowhead	44/28/sn	50/26/pc	S. Lake Tahoe	30/18/sn	38/17/sn
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Long Beach	61/43/pc	60/43/pc	Torrance	59/46/pc	61/47/pc
Los Angeles	56/45/pc	62/48/pc	Vacaville	50/35/c	49/39/r
Mammoth	35/20/c	39/19/c	Vallejo	51/42/c	51/40/r
Marysville	49/37/c	50/39/r	Van Nuys	52/40/pc	58/43/pc
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Monrovia	58/43/pc	61/44/pc	Willits	43/35/c	45/37/r
Monterey	54/39/c	55/44/r	Yosemite Valley	45/22/c	45/26/c
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**Weather (W):** s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.

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# Napster to sell downloads as unprotected MP3's

By ALEX VEIGA  
AP Business Writer

LOS ANGELES — Napster Inc. said Sunday it will begin selling music downloads as unprotected MP3 files in the spring, joining other online retailers.

The file format change will apply only to single tracks and album purchases, according to a company press release. Tracks downloaded as part of the company's music subscription service will continue to have copyright restrictions.

Unlike music files that come with copy protections embedded, MP3 files are compatible with most portable music devices, including Apple Inc.'s market-

leading iPod media players, Microsoft Corp.'s Zune and mobile phones that play music.

"The ubiquity and cross-platform compatibility of MP3s should create a more level playing field for music services and hardware providers and result in greater ease of use and broader adoption of digital music," Chris Gorog, Napster's chairman and chief executive, said in a statement.

The company did not say which record companies had agreed to license music for sale as MP3s via Napster.

Three of the world's biggest recording companies — Vivendi's Universal Music Group, Warner Music Group Corp. and Britain's EMI Group PLC — cleared the way last year for some online retailers, including Amazon.com, to sell their artists' music as unprotected MP3 files.

Napster did not change the \$14.95 monthly fee for its top subscription tier.

The company disclosed in November it had narrowed its loss in the second quarter, which ended Sept. 30, to \$5.1 million, from \$9 million in the same period a year earlier.

Napster ended the quarter with about 750,000 paid subscribers.

Napster shares closed at \$1.94 on Friday.

# Plowshares

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"I appreciate, more than ever, how important community involvement is," Buckley said as her eyes widened while looking around the new dining room. "It's been a challenging and complicated process, but that's par for the course."

But all the thoughts of challenges and complications were put to the side Sunday as hundreds of people gathered to visit with Plowshares staff and tour the new building.

"I'm just thrilled for this new building to be here for the community," said Ann Kilkenny as she greeted visitors at the door most of the afternoon. "This is a beautiful new building, and we're excited to share it."

With 6,500 square-feet of space, the new complex is roughly twice the size of the

non-profit's previous home on Luce Avenue, and Buckley said she's excited to improve service to the community.

"I think we'll be able to actually better fulfill our mission statement," she said. "Right now we're certain we're not meeting the need, and we want to change that."

With a new, state-of-the-art kitchen area and more space Buckley's hopes will soon become a reality as she explained that Plowshares would be able to serve between 120-150 people for meals, which are now being served at night.

"I think the main single difference is our evening hours," Buckley said. "Now we will be able to serve working people and school kids. More people will be able to come here."

At its location along Luce, Plowshares typically served a lunchtime meal, but with a new location comes a new meal schedule. Beginning Jan. 14, Monday through Friday, Plowshares will begin serving meals from 5:30 until 6 p.m. for senior citizens and families. Following the senior and family meals, Plowshares will serve food to the public from 6 - 6:30 p.m. each day.

In addition to the free, hot meals available daily, Plowshares will also be offering homeless services, like laundry vouchers, personal care products and haircuts, to visitors during meal times. The homeless services are just one of the many different forms of expanded service that Buckley said Plowshares is excited to offer with its new location.

"We can do a lot of other things besides meals here," she explained. "We can do things like vocational training and service training. We could even do micro-enterprise. There's lots of ideas going around right now. We've got more space that could also be used by other agencies."

Even with a bright future in store for Plowshares, Buckley is keeping her focus in the present and looking to the community for continued support as the page turns for the next chapter in the story of Plowshares.

"Community support is needed now as much as ever," Buckley said as visitors to the new center congratulate her and the Plowshares staff. "We're always hoping for more volunteers, food sources and overall community involvement. The building is for everyone. It's a community dining room."

People interested in donating time, money or food to Plowshares can do so by mail at: 1346 S. State St. PO Box 475 Ukiah, CA 95482-0475, by telephone at (707) 462-8582, by fax at (707) 462-0320, by e-mail at plowshares@pacific.net or on the Internet at www.plowshares-feeds.org.

*Zack Sampsel can be reached at udjzs@pacific.net.*



Sarah Baldick/The Daily Journal

All of the children that attended Saturdays celebration at St. Marys were given gifts from the Three Wiseman as is traditional to this Mexican Christmas celebration. Karina Deleon (right) received a floor puzzle and a nailpolish set and Muyra Ochoa (left) was given a doll and book.

# Kings

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Moises Soria, family center coordinator for Nuestra Casa, said the event was also sponsored by Toys for Tots-Lake County, Plowshares, First Five Mendocino and Project Sanctuary.

"First Five provided us with food that promotes good nutrition," he said, pointing to the spread of vegetables being picked over by a portion of the estimated 170 children who attended.

Simental said the turnout was comparable to previous years and that no additional notice was necessary to draw

the crowd.

"It was mostly word-of-mouth," he said. "We couldn't advertise or we'd be overwhelmed. We don't have the resources right now to serve more people for this event."

*Rob Burgess can be reached at udjrb@pacific.net.*

# Budget

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Borucki assured gamblers that operations would remain "normal" but said "full conventional power to all buildings may not be restored for some time."

Lottery headquarters is located in the capital city in Sacramento County -- one of the regions Schwarzenegger declared a disaster area Saturday due to storm damage. Complications tied to the outage prevented restoration

of regular power to a portion of the sprawling headquarters structure in a northern, industrial suburb.

The Lottery Commission announced it was moving a meeting set for Wednesday to another location due to conditions at headquarters.

Gambling analysts say any developments, such as this, tend to shake players' confidence in lottery operations.

But lottery spokesman Al Lundeen said "everything essential, at this point, is operating as it should, and we expect that to continue."

The lottery was able to conduct Saturday night's Super-LOTTO Plus draw of winning numbers, for instance, officials said.

The outage, which began Friday afternoon, continued into Saturday night, making it the longest such occurrence anyone could recall befalling the lottery since games were launched in 1985.

The incident occurred as Schwarzenegger administration officials worked toward the governor's State of the State address Tuesday and his subsequent pitch of a proposed 2008-09 budget to the

Legislature in the face of a \$14 billion budget deficit.

"No decisions have been made on the lottery as we are still developing our policy agenda for next year," said Schwarzenegger spokesman Aaron McLearn. "But the governor still firmly believes that licensing the lottery is in the best financial interest of the people of California."

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# Homeless

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cost of the portable restrooms.

In an email to Holli just before Christmas, Falk said the city returned his check. According to Falk's email, the city is not ready to do anything about portable restrooms at this time.

Falk then authored a letter to the City Council, saying the problem of public defecation is an issue of city sanitation. He asked that the city keep

public restrooms, such as those at Town Hall, open around the clock, even if it means increased monitoring, repairs and cleaning.

"Biologically, all human beings are equal when it comes to the need to relieve themselves," Falk wrote, referring to the fact that public restrooms close at 4 p.m. "Few, however, are able to hold it for the 16 hours that the restrooms are not open. Thus, Fort Bragg is unwittingly contributing to the public sanitation hazard."

Monthly meetings are held at St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church. The next meeting is Tuesday, Jan. 8, 10 a.m. at noon in St. Michael's Episcopal Church at the corner of Fir and Franklin in Fort Bragg. According to Holli, those currently serving the poor and in need through soup kitchens and other means, and for those who have ideas about how available food items can be used in new ways are invited to attend.

Among those invited and having indicated their desire

to be present are Nancy Severy, director, Fort Bragg Food Bank, Kathleen Stone, of county Health and Human Services, and Carol Bruce, of the Gleanings Soup Kitchen. Meetings are open to those having interest and involvement in providing meals and food for the poor and needy on the Fort Bragg/Mendocino Coast.

The third monthly county-sponsored meeting will take place Jan 10 from 1 to 3 p.m. in the Veterans Memorial Building at Laurel and Harrison, Fort Bragg.

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